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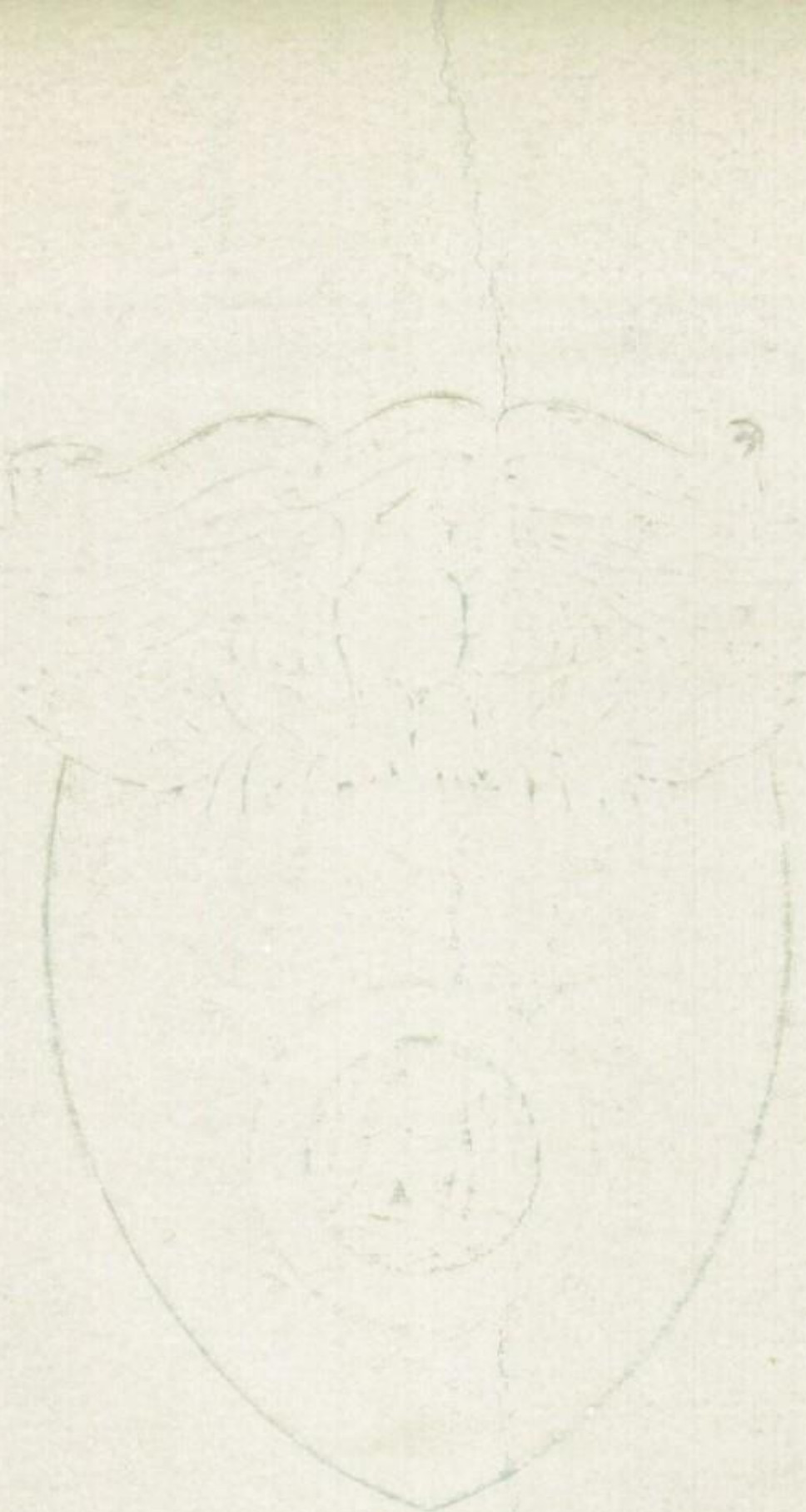
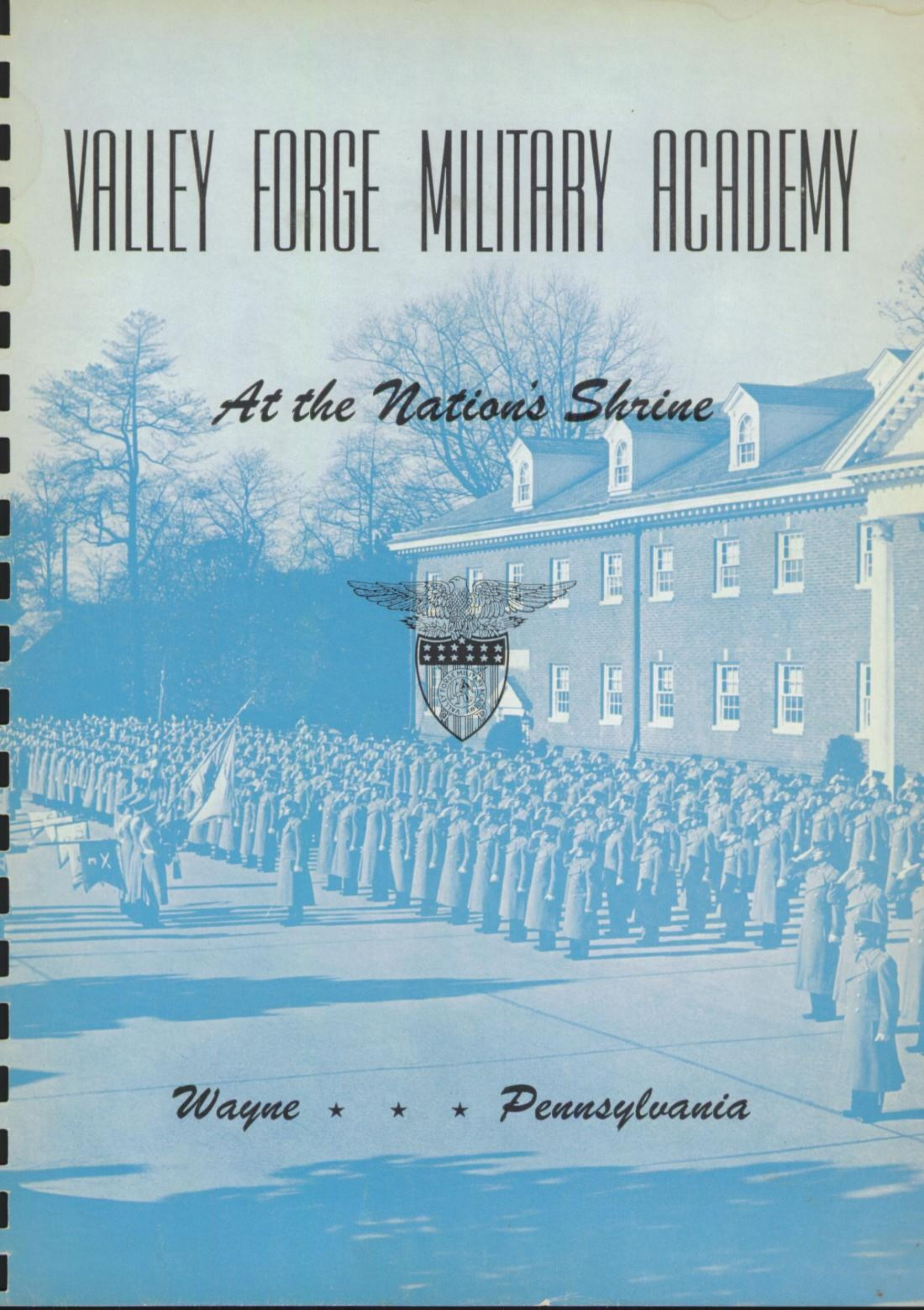


VALLEY FORGE MILITARY ACADEMY

At the Nation's Shrine



Wayne ★ ★ ★ Pennsylvania

THE purpose of this book is not to present to you a collection of carefully posed photographs and prearranged displays, but rather to make it possible for you in the space of a few minutes to live the life of a Cadet in the VALLEY FORGE MILITARY ACADEMY.

Entering the main gate you will walk up the beautiful entrance roadway and stop at the Administration Building to be greeted by the Superintendent in his office. You will inspect the various offices and buildings, the classrooms, the completely equipped hospital, and look into a Cadet's quarters. You will walk over the beautiful grounds so many young men have come to know and cherish with fond remembrances. Through the pictures in this book you will meet the various members of the faculty and sit with them in their classrooms. YOU WILL REALIZE IT IS METICULOUS PLANNING THAT SENDS OUR GRADUATES TO THE MOST SUPERIOR AMERICAN COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES WHERE THEY MAKE US JUSTIFIABLY PROUD OF THEIR OUTSTANDING RECORDS. THE ACADEMY PROGRAM IS SO ARRANGED THAT FORTY-SEVEN HOURS PER WEEK ARE DEVOTED TO CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION, INDIVIDUALIZED ASSISTANCE AND SUPERVISED STUDY. BY WAY OF CONTRAST ONLY FIVE HOURS PER WEEK ARE ALLOTED TO MILITARY DRILLS AND INSPECTIONS.

Proceeding from the classrooms, you will worship with your son in the pure simplicity of the Cadet Chapel and thrill with him as he passes in review on the parade ground to the music of a fifty-piece band. Your heart will skip a beat as you watch the strenuous finish of a track event or as you hold your breath in an exciting moment of a football and baseball game. You will become acquainted with some of our distinguished visitors as they inspect the Corps or take part in special exercises.

Do all these things without leaving your comfortable chair as you turn the pages of this book, for it is its purpose to present to you a picture of the varied activities and influences which serve to mold and direct the life of a boy in the Corps of Cadets of the Valley Forge Military Academy. You will find the activities pictured here to be many and intensely varied, but all conceived and executed with one purpose—that of developing your son to be a strong, honest, intelligent and successful young man.

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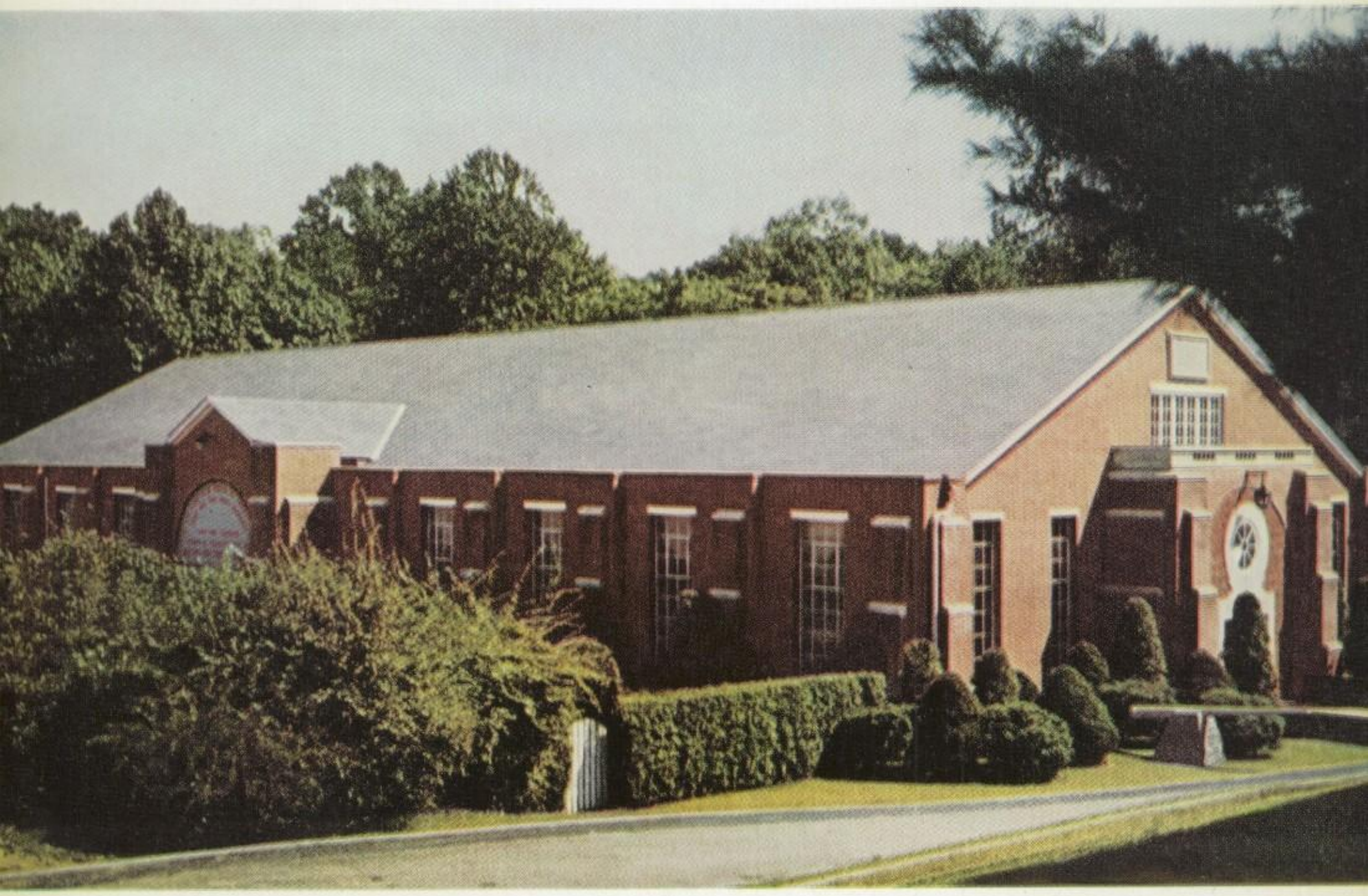
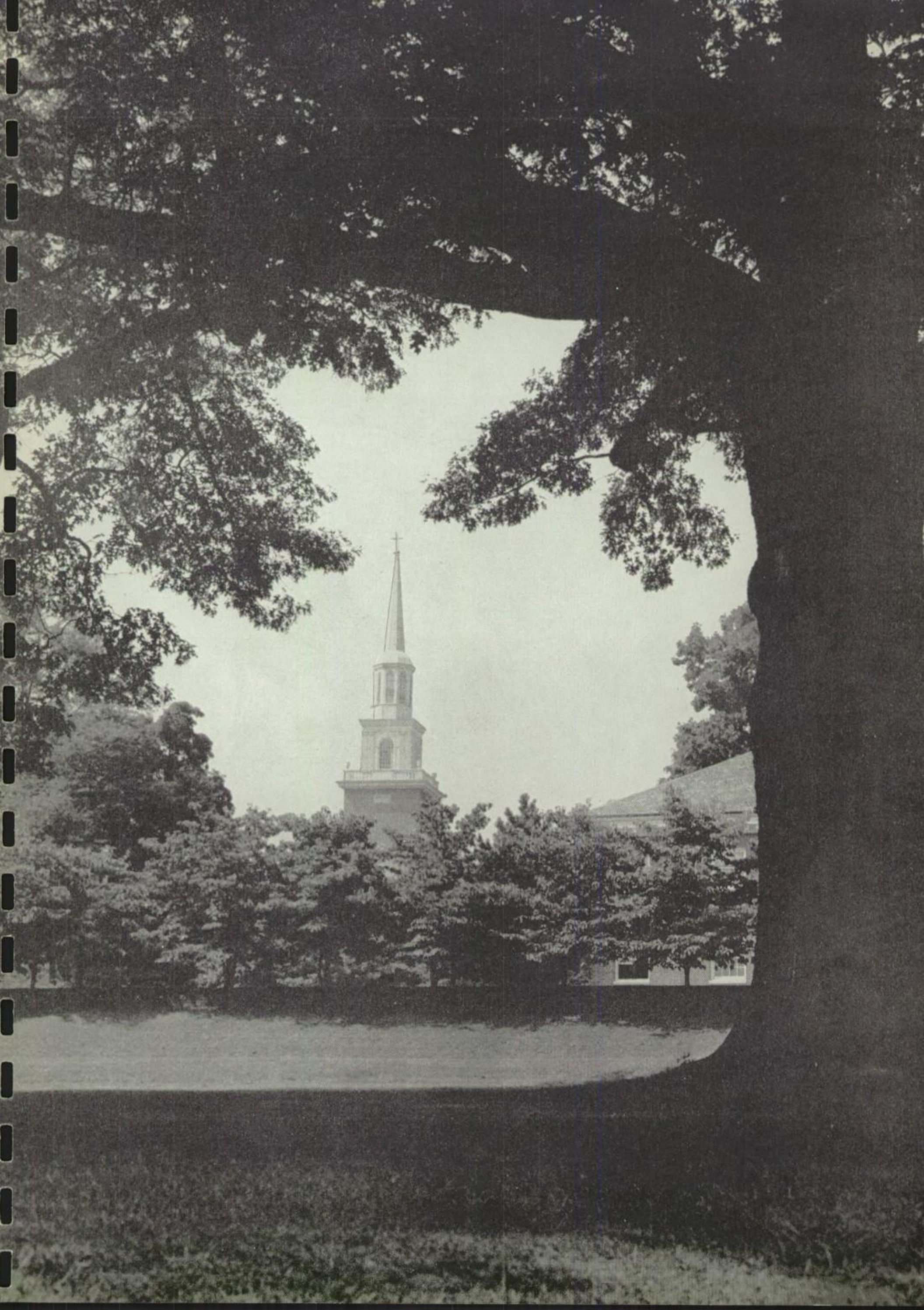
★ Hamilton Hall

★ Alumni Memorial Chapel



★ Gymnasium

★ Shannon Hall



★ Lafayette Hall

★ Academy Headquarters

★ Academy Theatre

★ Superintendent's Quarters

★ Martin Hall

★ Madison Hall

★ Knox-Putnam-Green-Jefferson-Franklin Houses

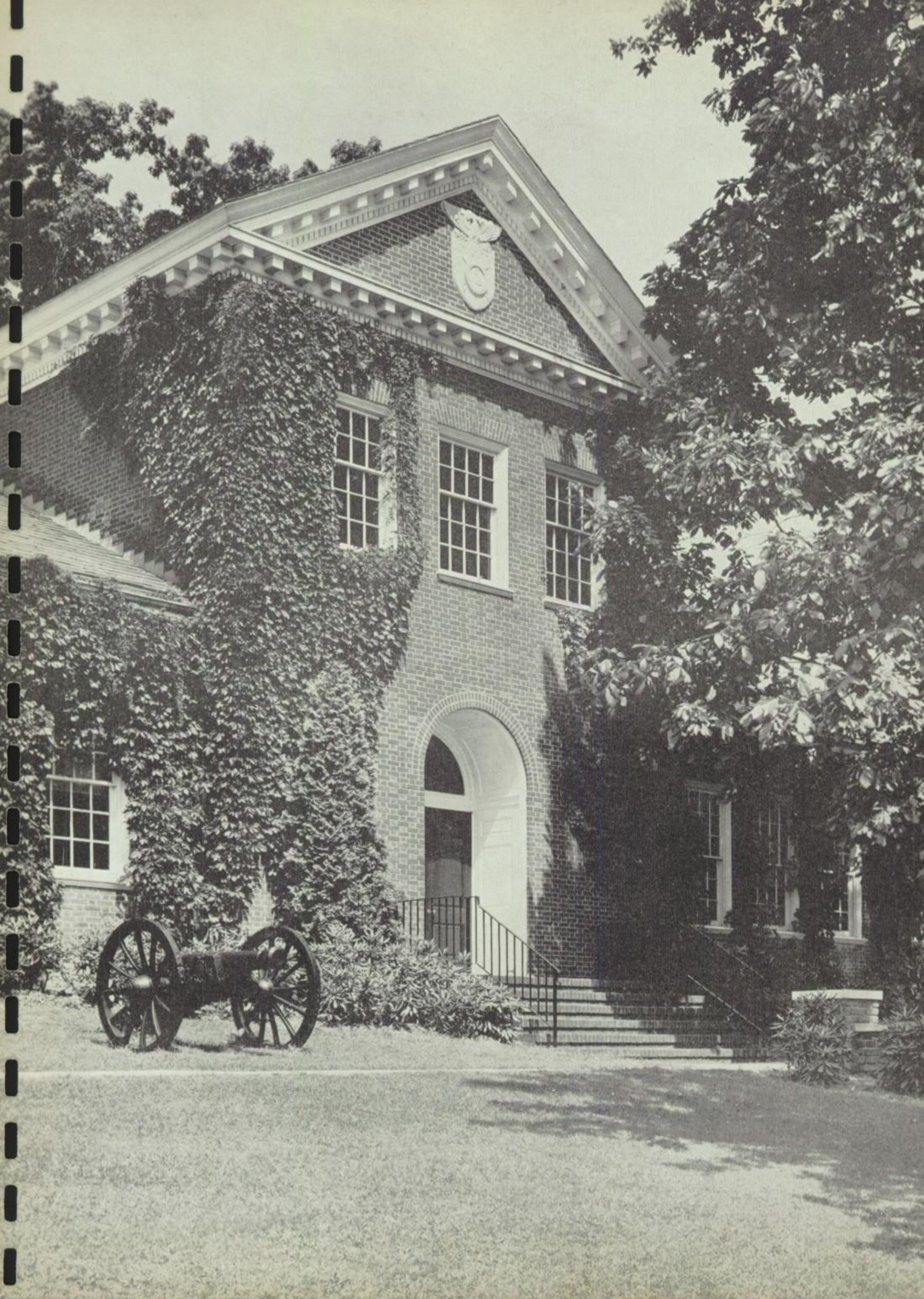
★ A partial view of Faculty Village

★ Von Steuben Hall

★ Isaac Clothier Riding Hall

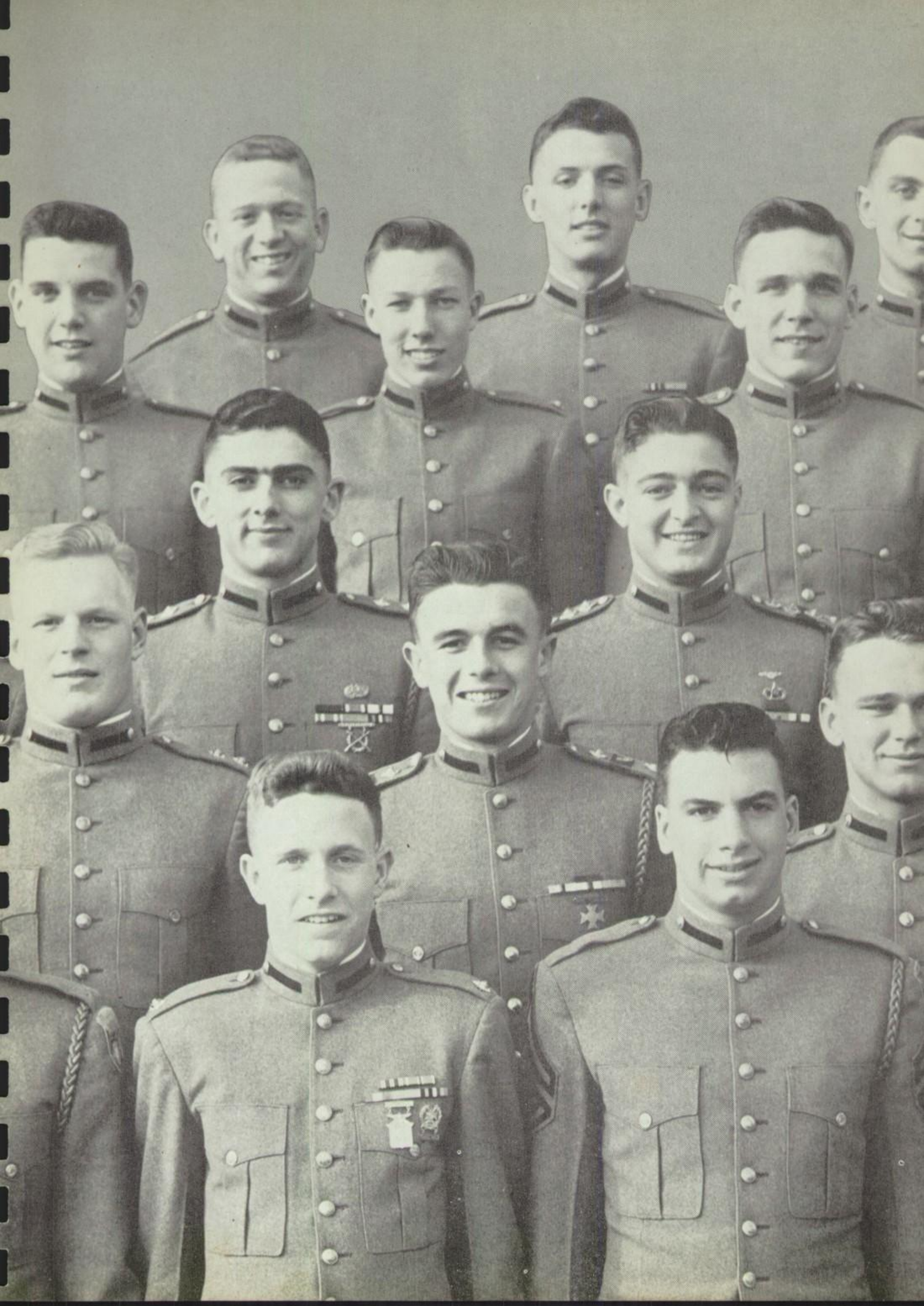
★ Washington Hall

SULLIVAN HALL



★ Lee Hall

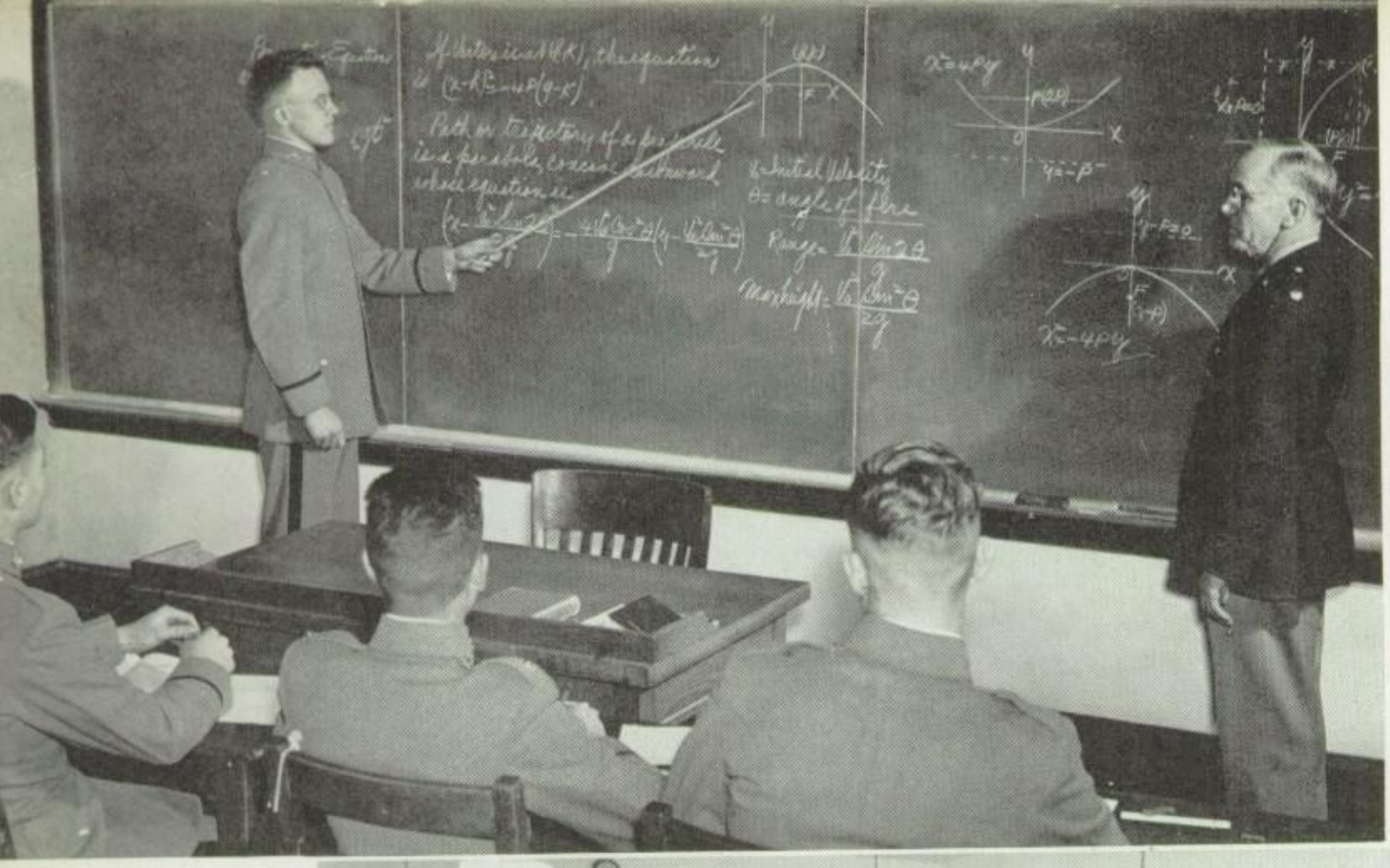
★ Winter Wonderland



★ The Faculty

★ Brigadier General Milton H. Medenbach
Commandant of Cadets

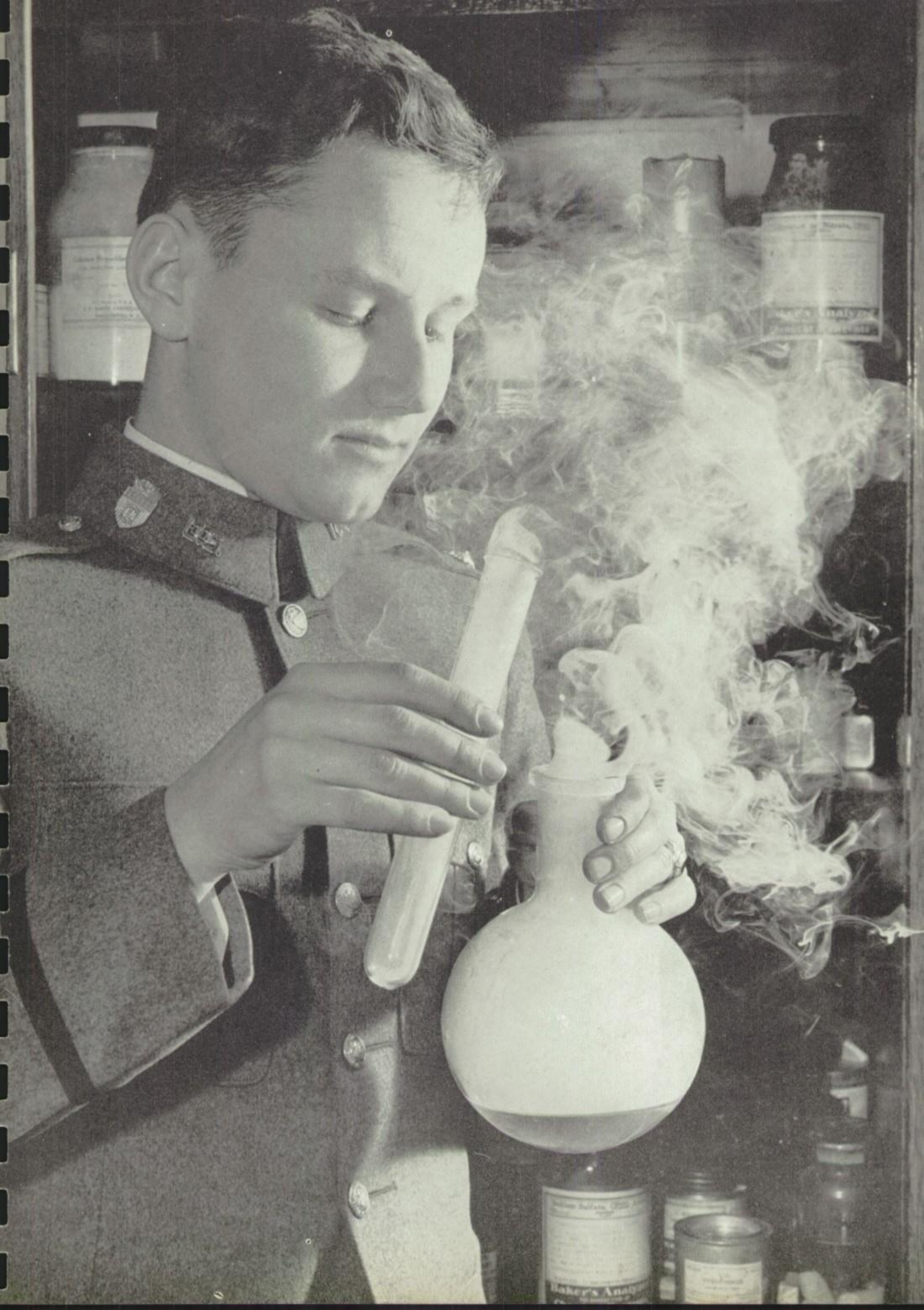
★ Brigadier General Arthur W. Bass
Dean of the Academic Department



★ Mathematics Recitation

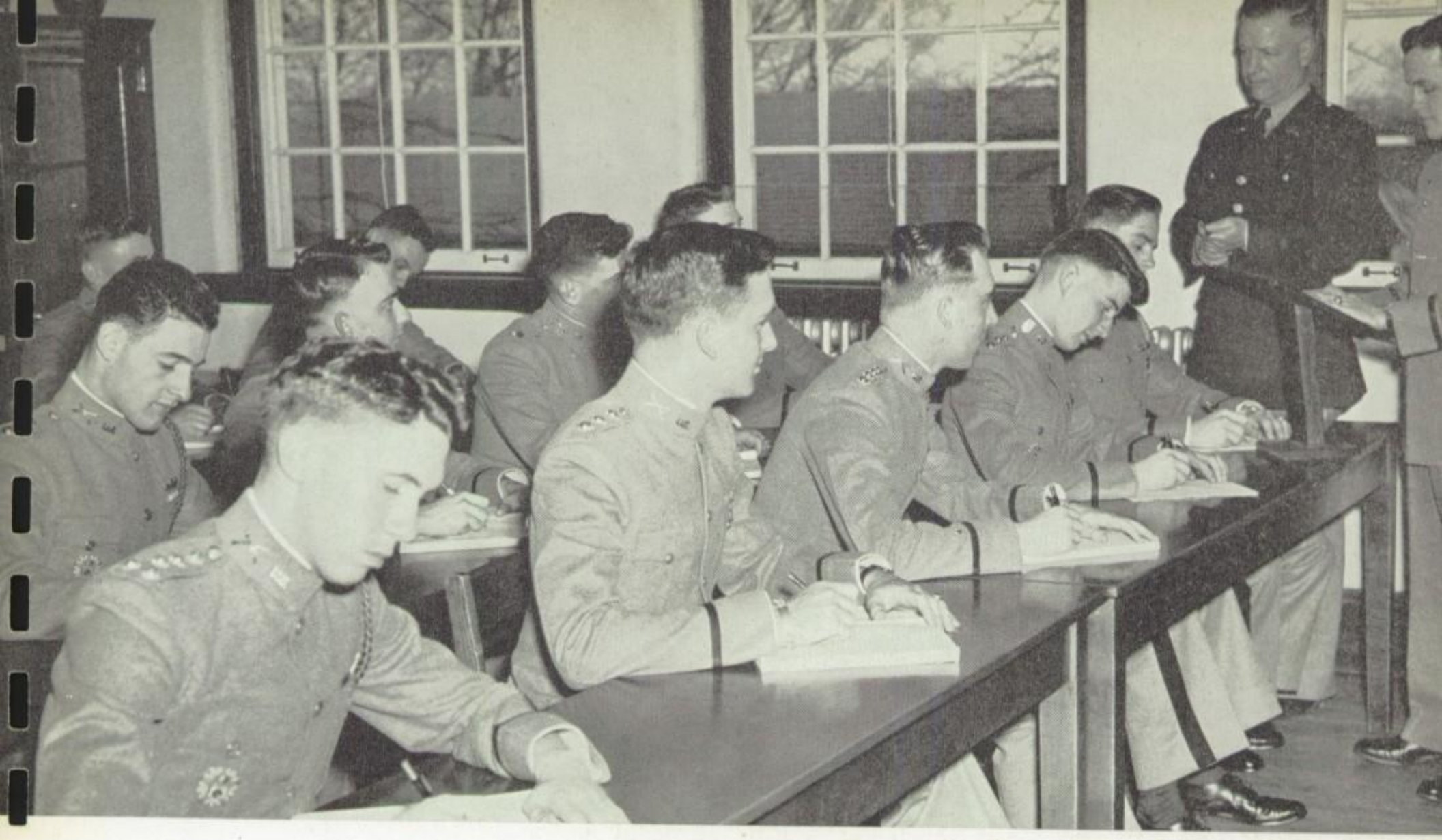
★ In the Chemistry Laboratory

★ In the Biology Laboratory



★ Reading skills and efficient vision are checked by the ophthalmograph

★ Junior High School Class



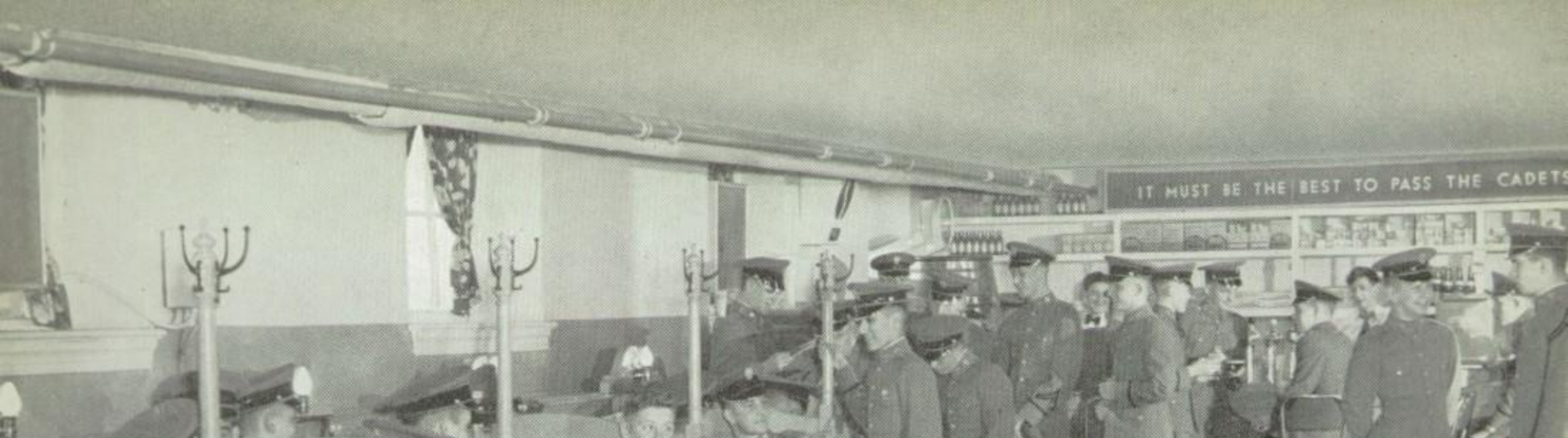
★ The Junior College Conducts an Experiment

★ Personal Guidance for every Cadet

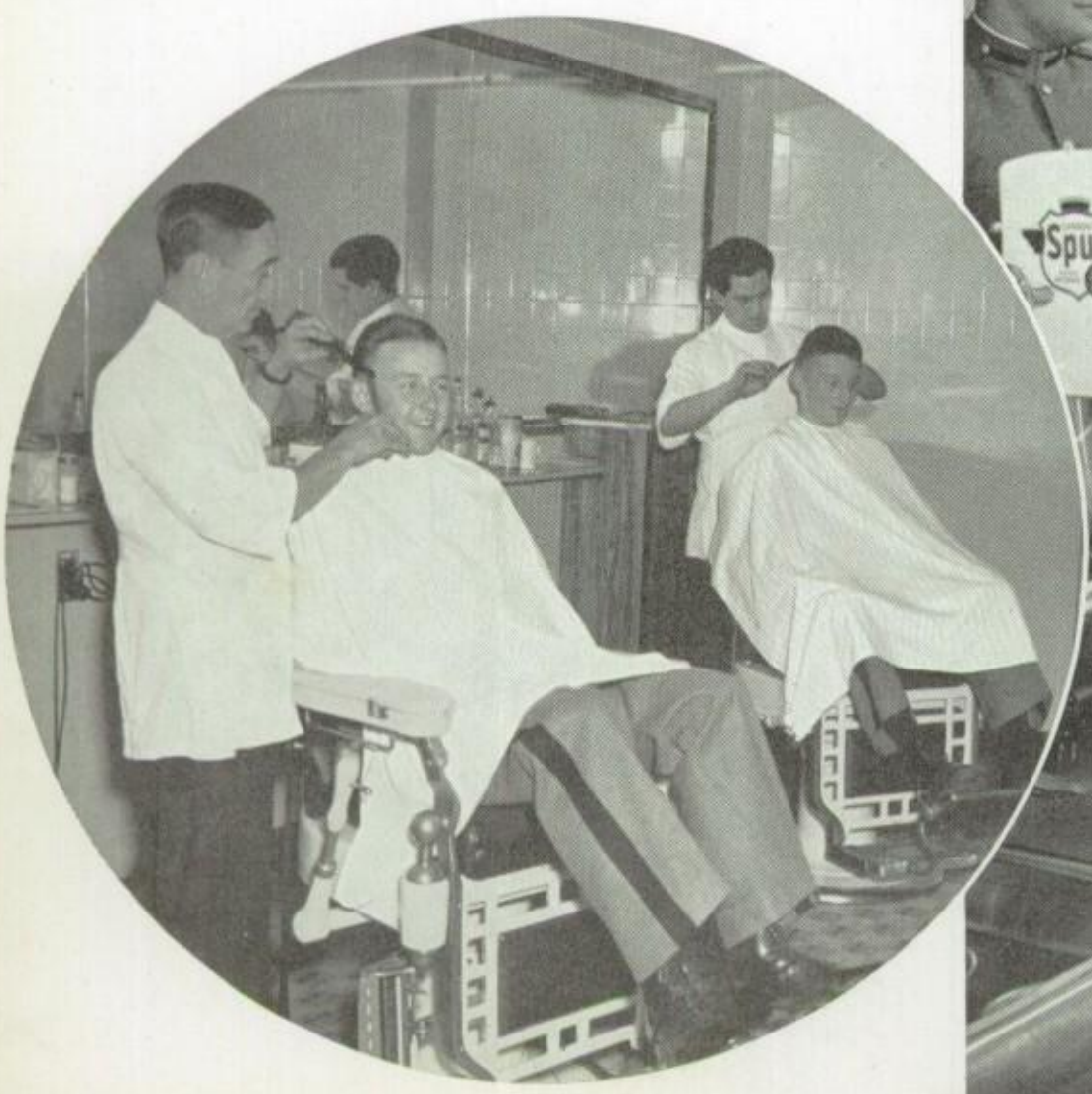
★ Music
Appreciation

★ The Speech Clinic

★ Reading Rooms of the Academy Library



★ The Post Exchange



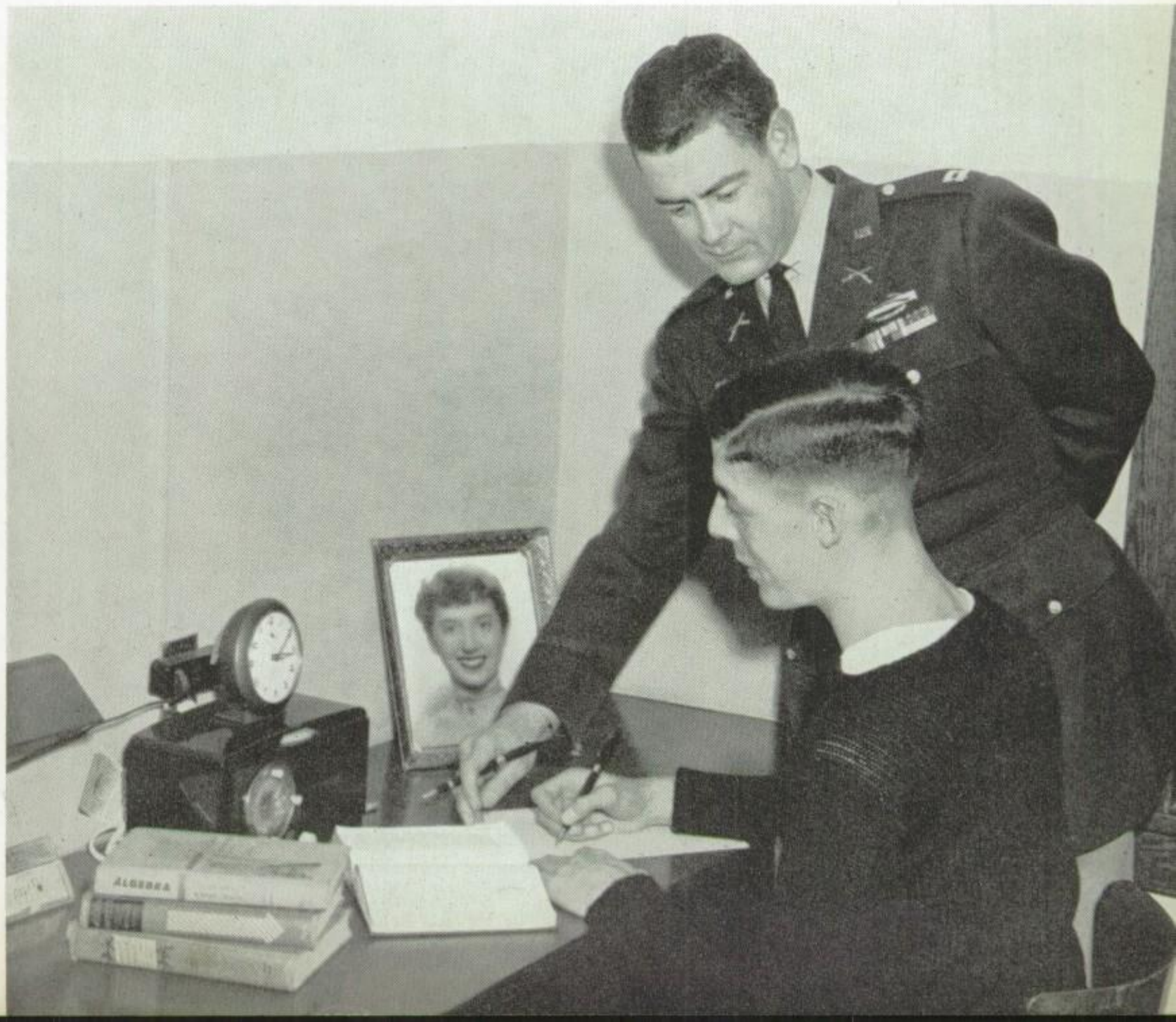
★ The Dispensary

★ Medical care is available at all times

★ All cadets' teeth are checked every four months

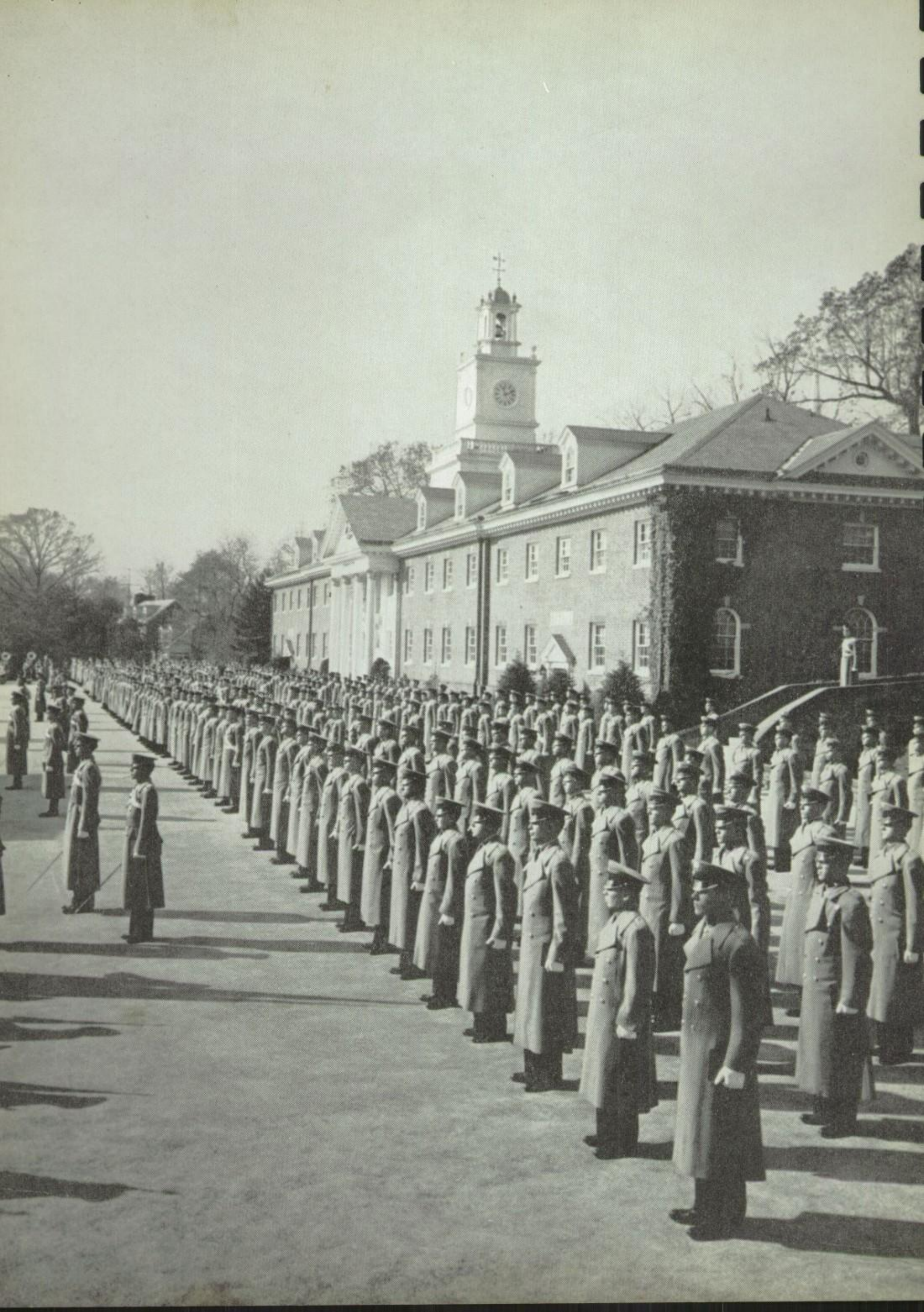
★ Comfort, with military neatness and simplicity, is the keynote of barracks quarters

★ Faculty officers are on duty in each corridor at each night study hall to render assistance



★ Lifelong friendships are born in days and nights of work and play

★ The Cadet club room includes TV



★ Cadet Officers

★ Cadet Noncommissioned Officers

★ Loyalty and patriotism, symbolized by the Colors, are deeply ingrained into the character of each cadet

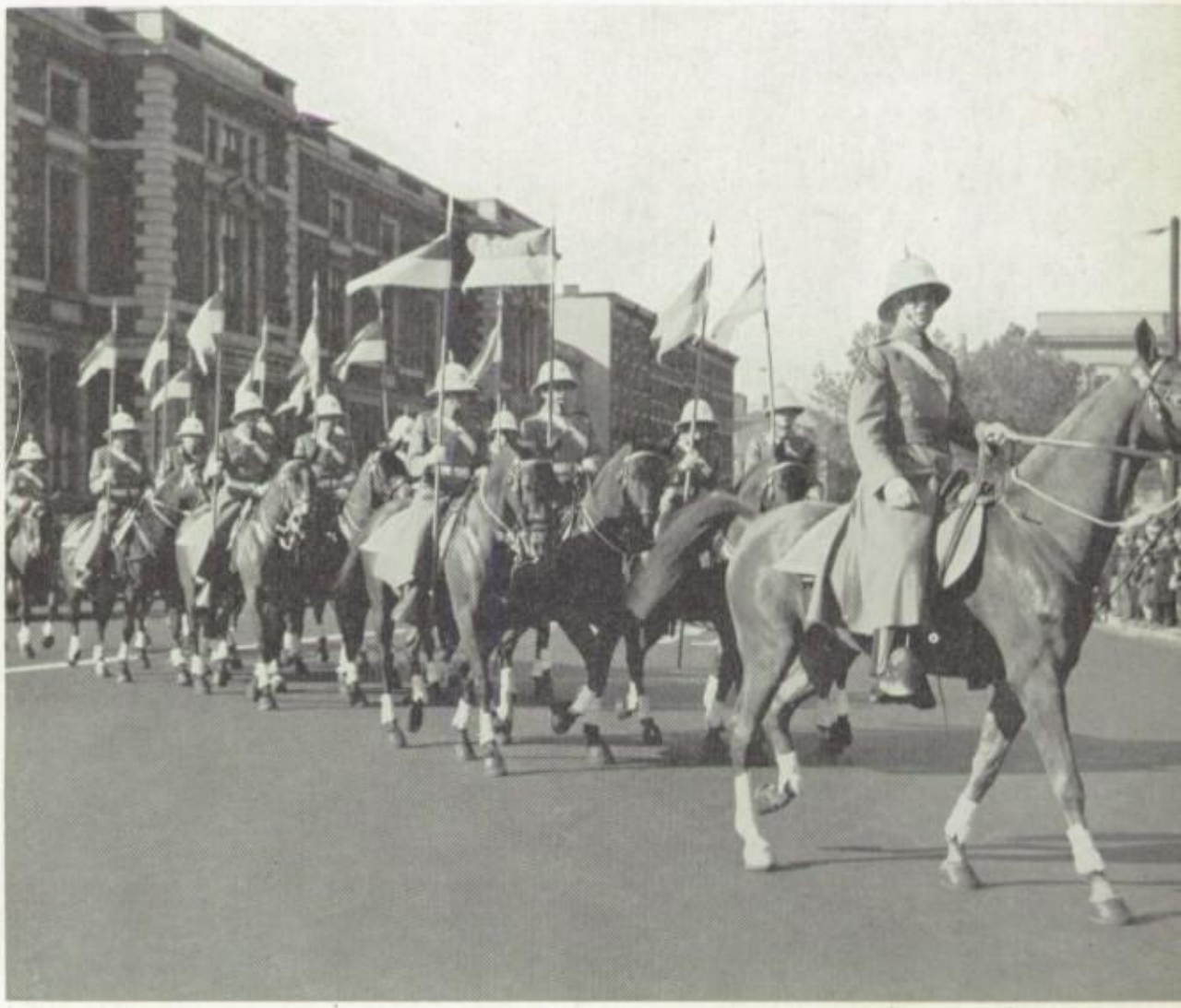
★ The nation's most distinguished Cadet Military Band

★ The Band relaxes

★ B Company at Parade

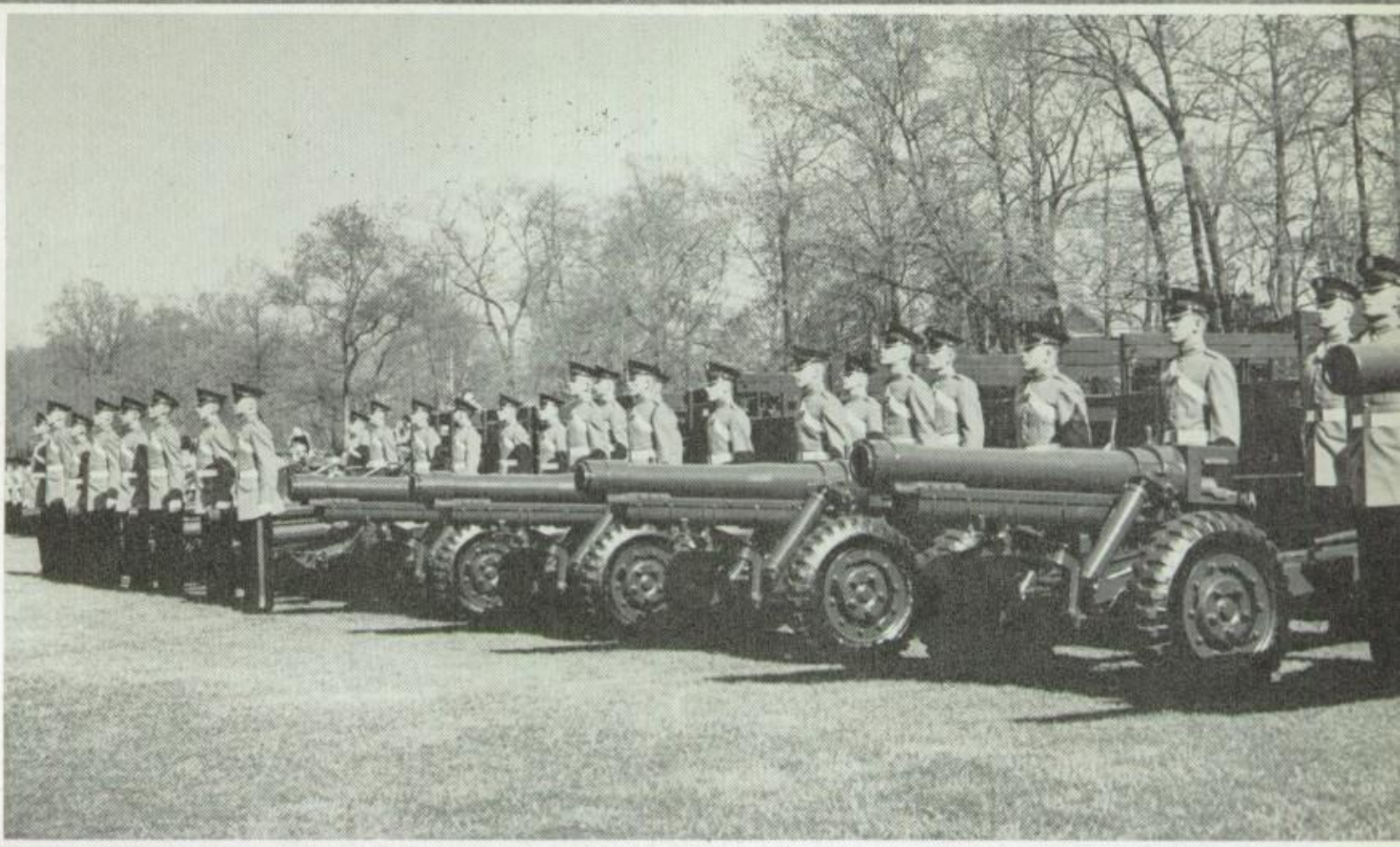
★ A Company forms for Inspection

★ C Company on Martin Hall Area



★ D Troop in Philadelphia's Armed Forces Day Parade

★ The 105 mm Howitzers are Inspected



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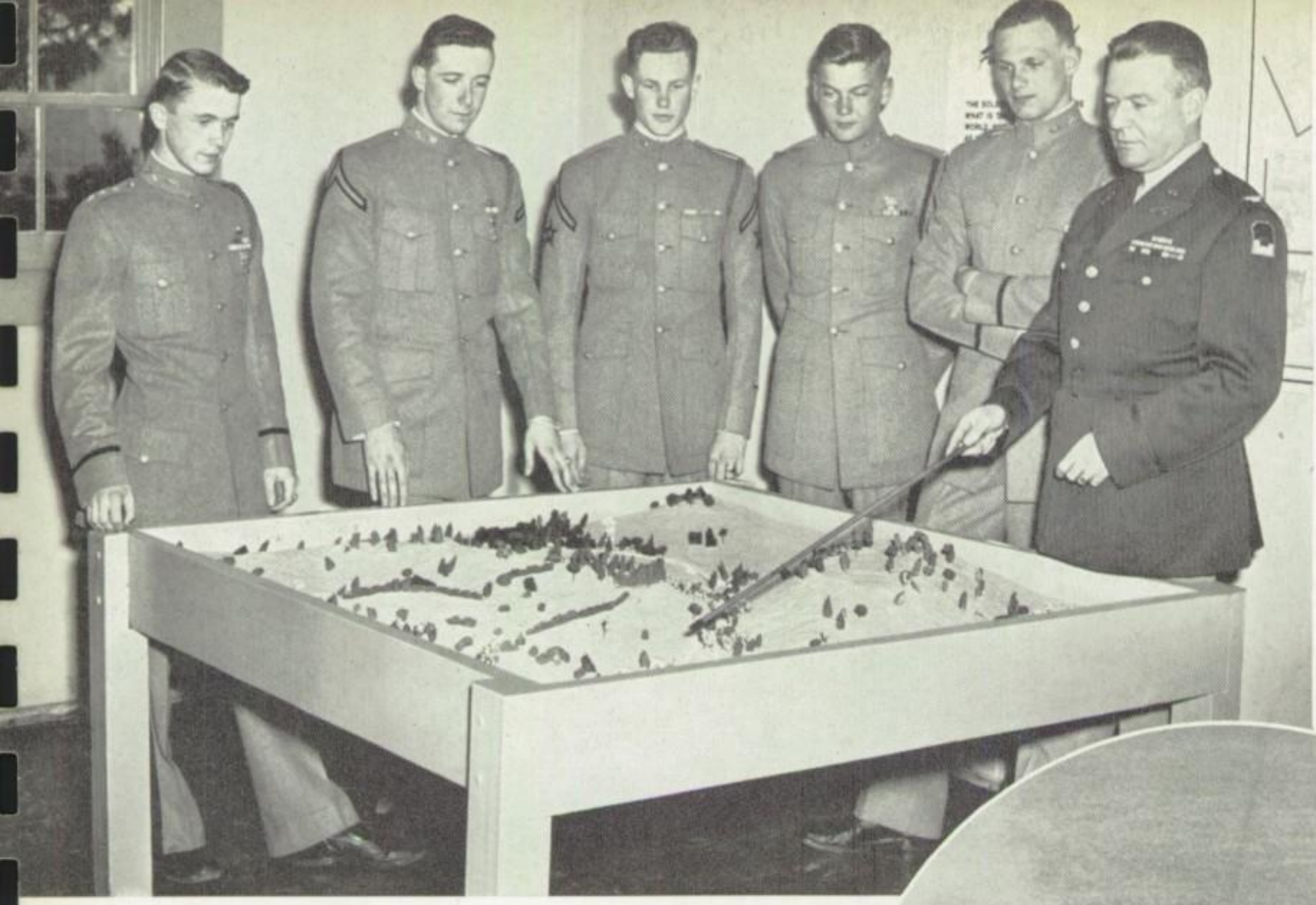
★ Fire



★ Exercise on Sand Ta
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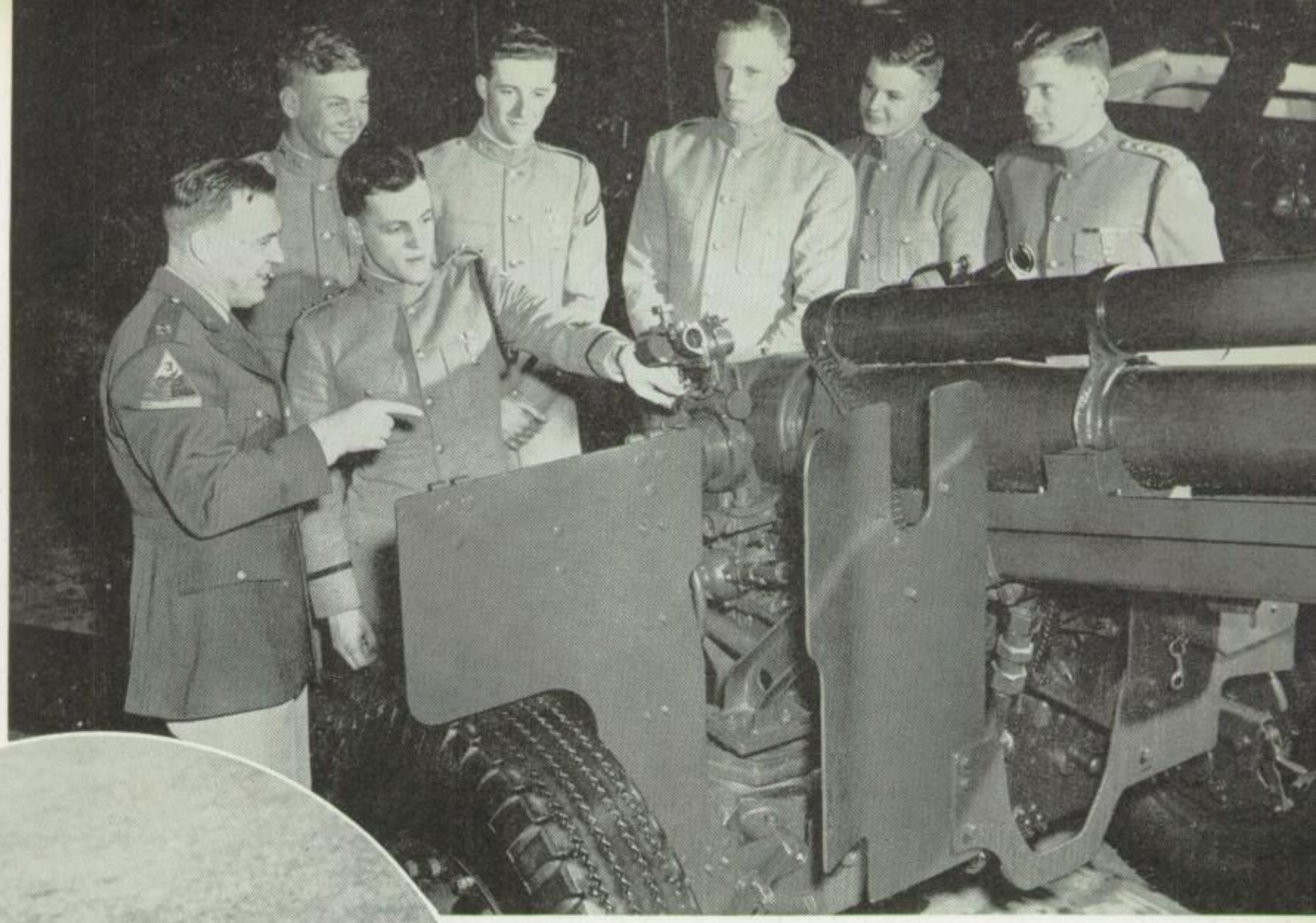
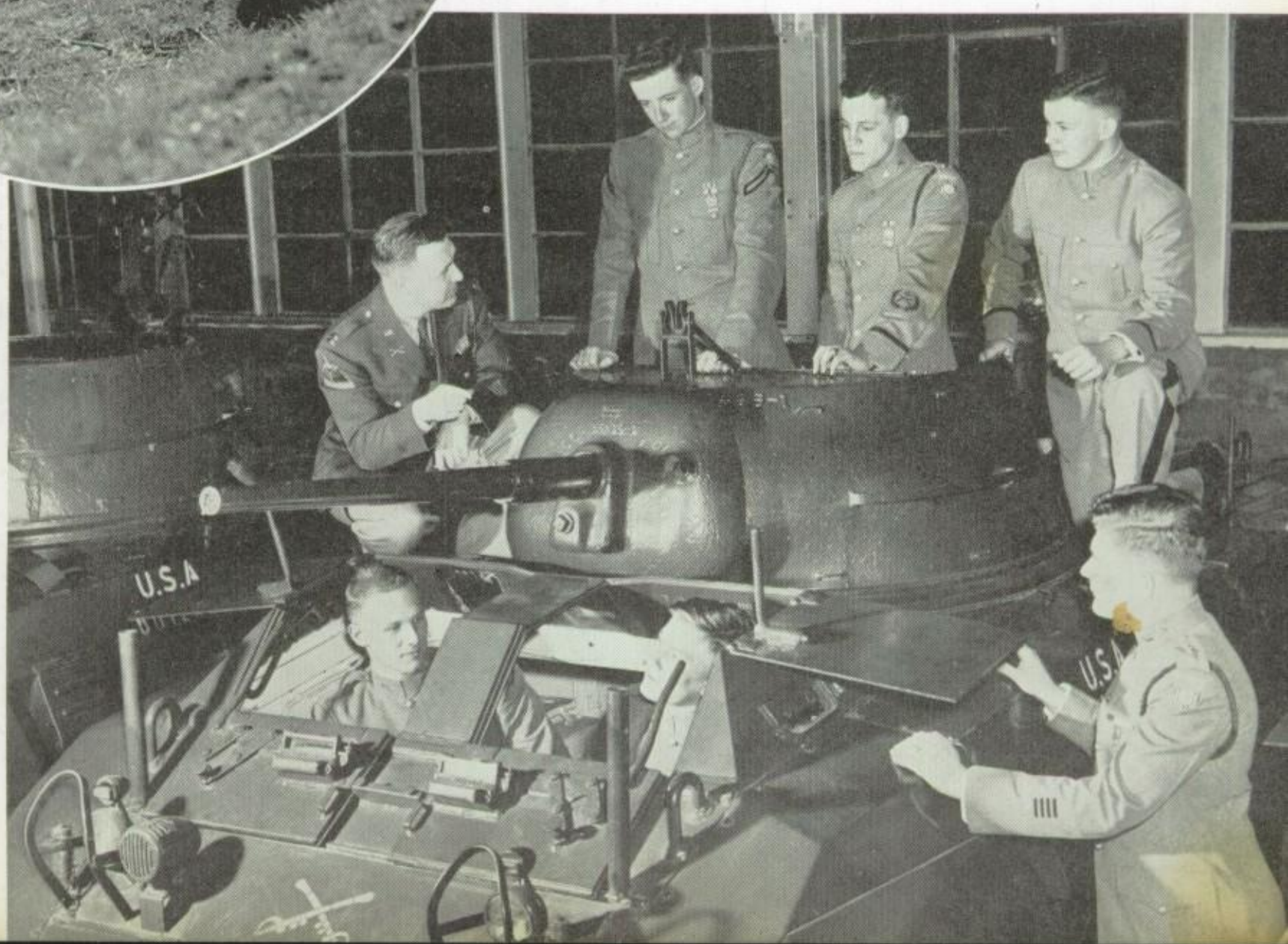
★ R.O.T.C.
class on
Machine Gun

★ Cadets Learn
Map Reading

★ A class on
105 mm Howitzer

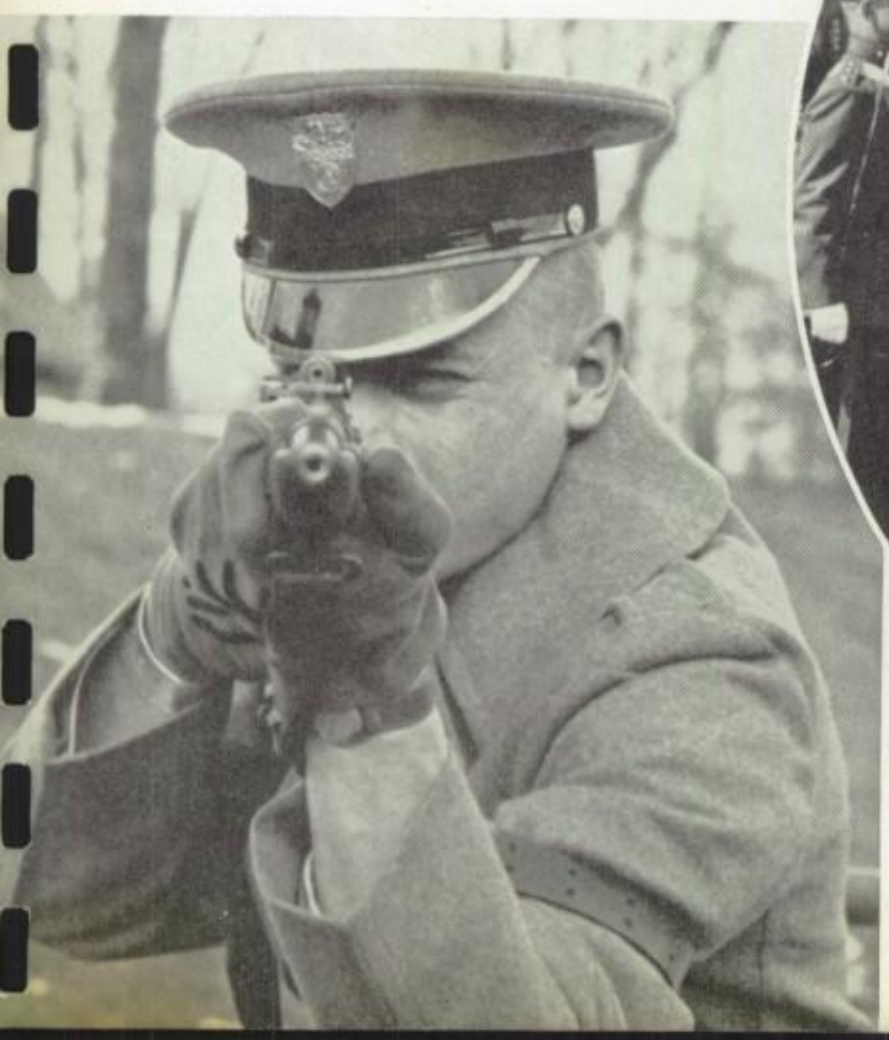


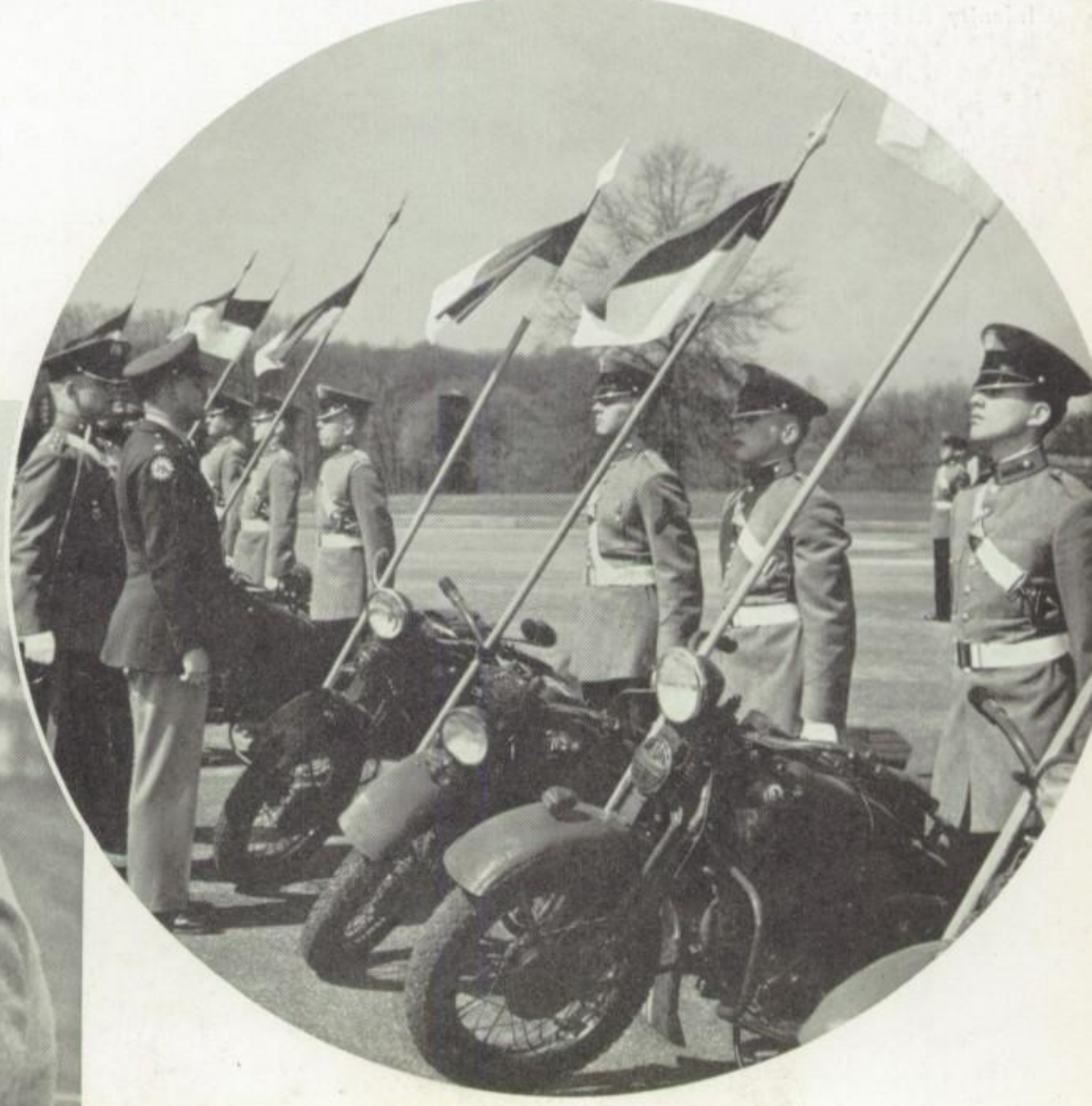
★ "Bulls Eye"
with
B.A.R.



★ Instruction on M-8's

★ Battery E Motorized Field Artillery, in Formation





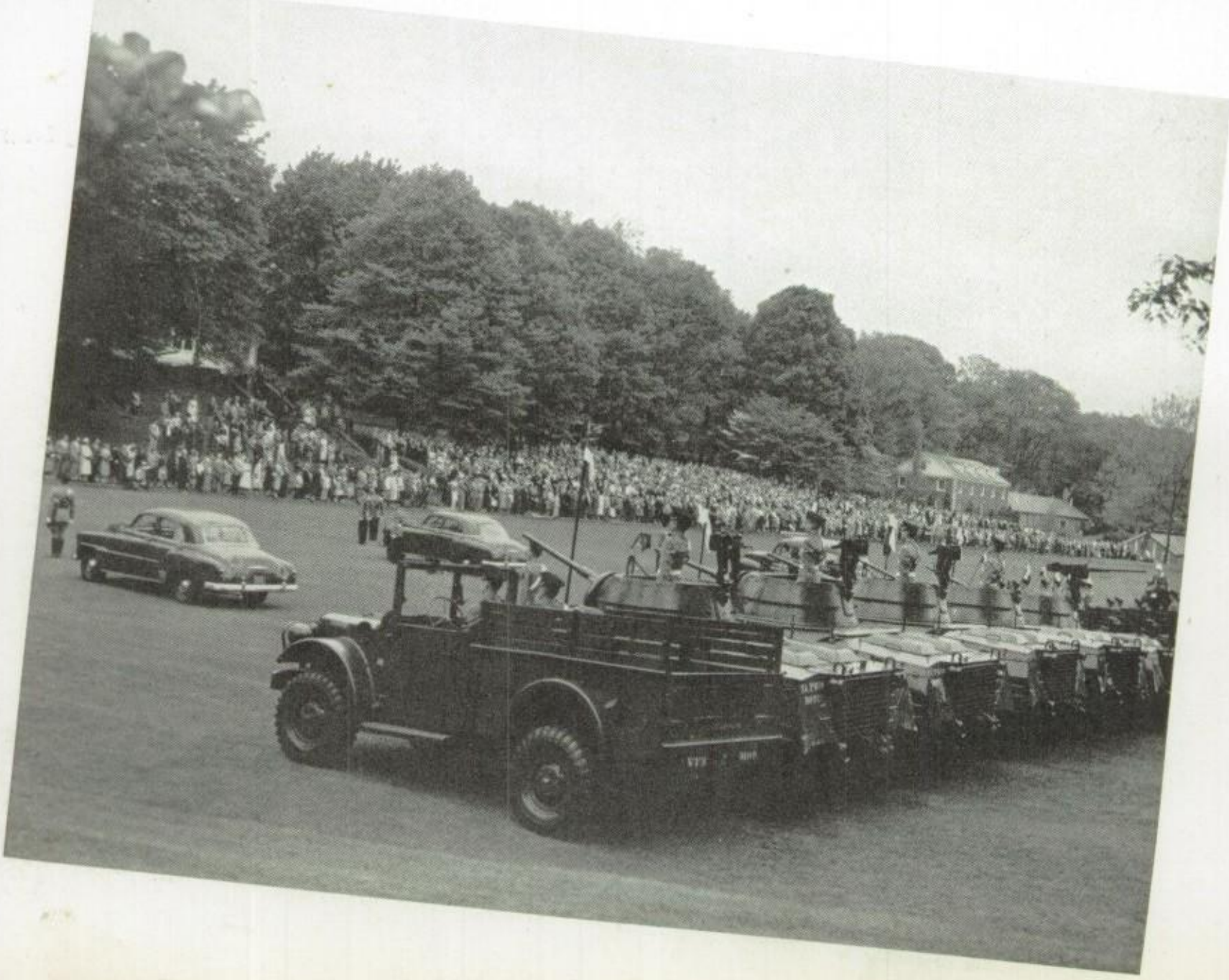
★ On the Field Artillery
and
Infantry Ranges

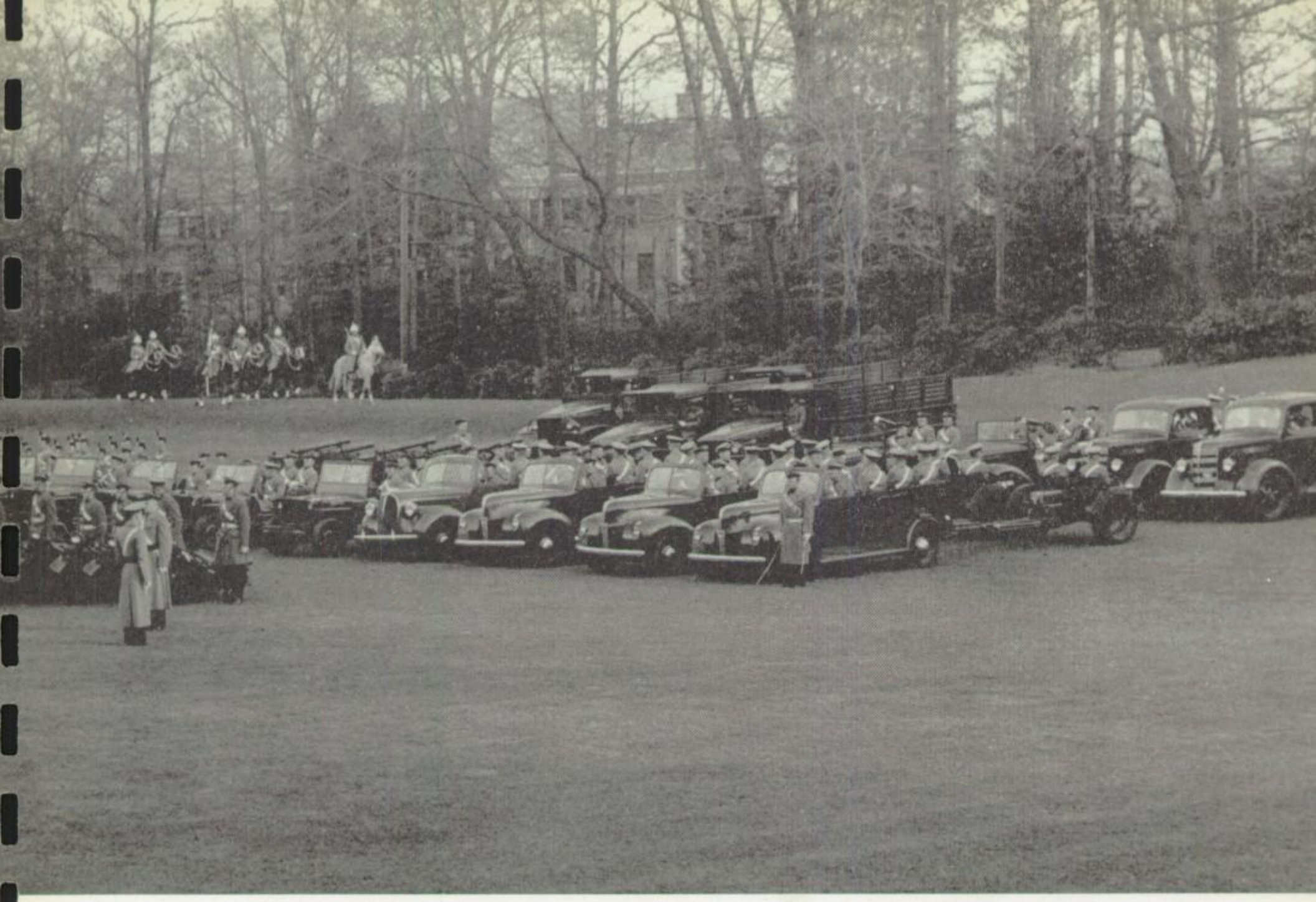
★ D Troop forms for Dismounted Inspection

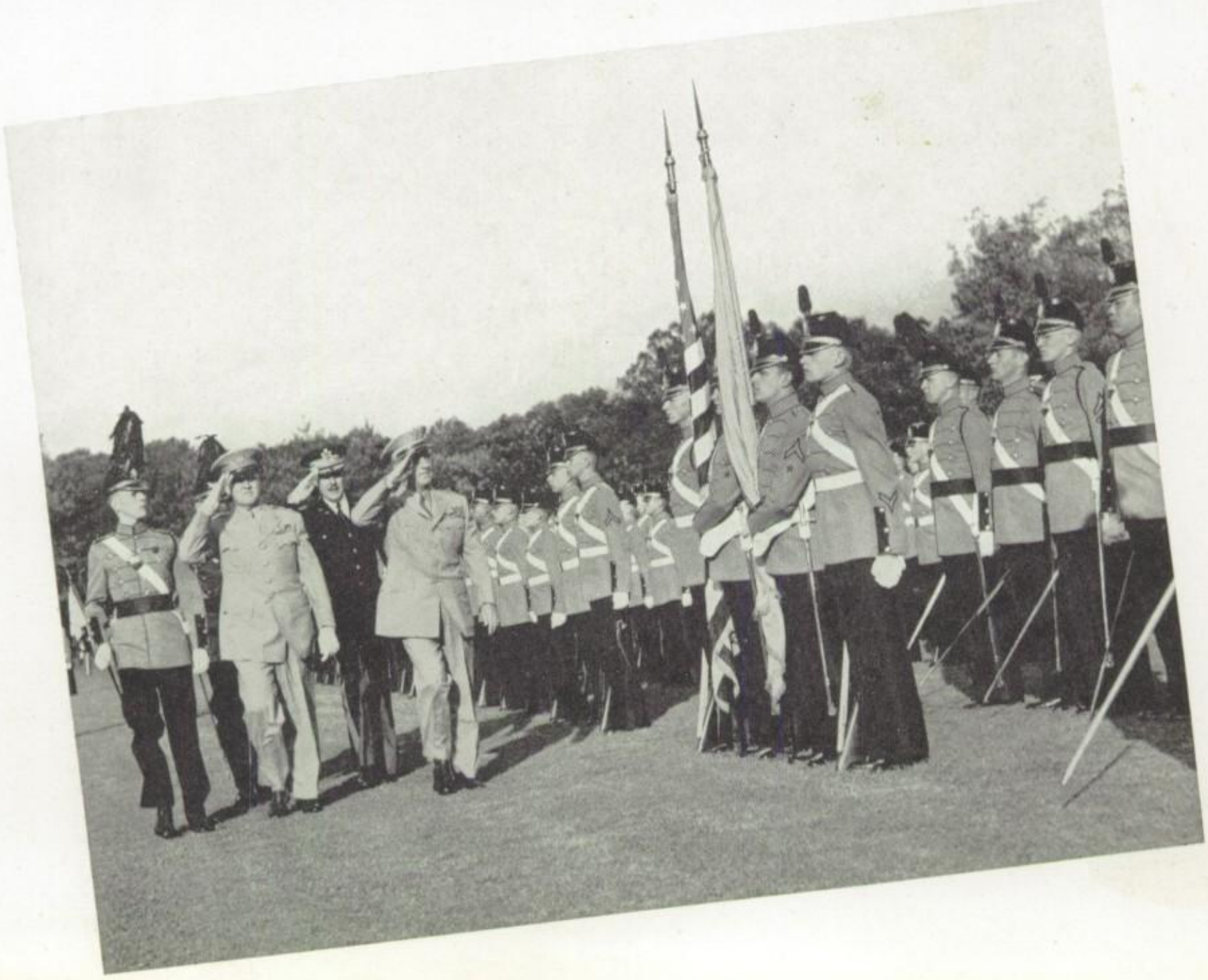
★ Troop D, on Parade

★ The Troop's Horse Show is an Annual Spring Event

★ Evening Parade







★ General George Catlett Marshall pays a visit

★ The Commandants of the Royal Military Academy of England, the Royal Military Academy of Canada, and the Royal Military Academy of Belgium spend a few days as our guests

★ General Anthony C. McAuliffe, Hero of Bastogne, decorates a Cadet

★ President Eisenhower at the Nation's Shrine

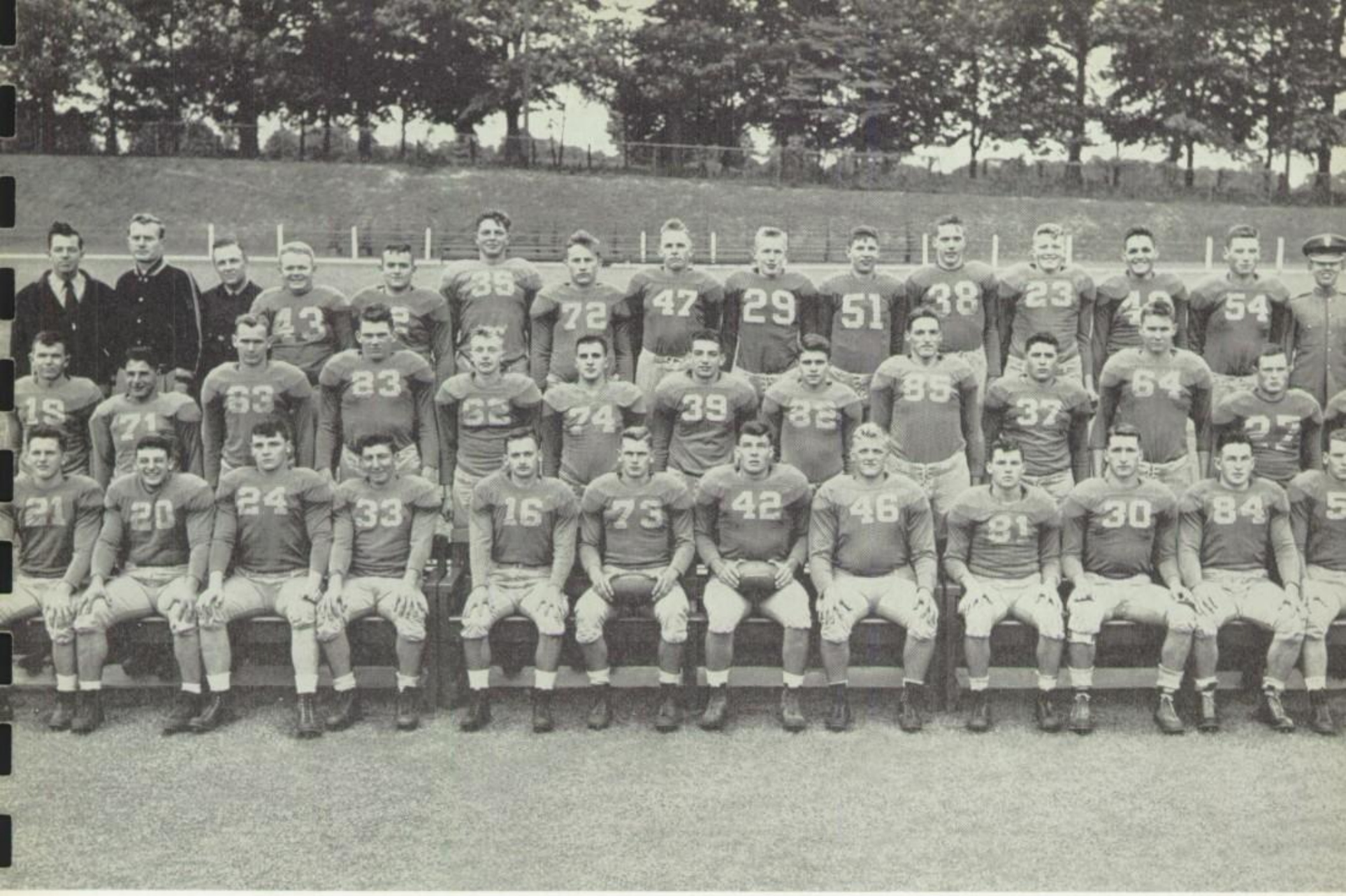
★ Admiral Radford troops the Line

★ Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson visits the Post

★ General Matthew B. Ridgway, Chief of Staff, United States Army, inspects the Corps

★ Annual Sports Review

★ The Polo Team

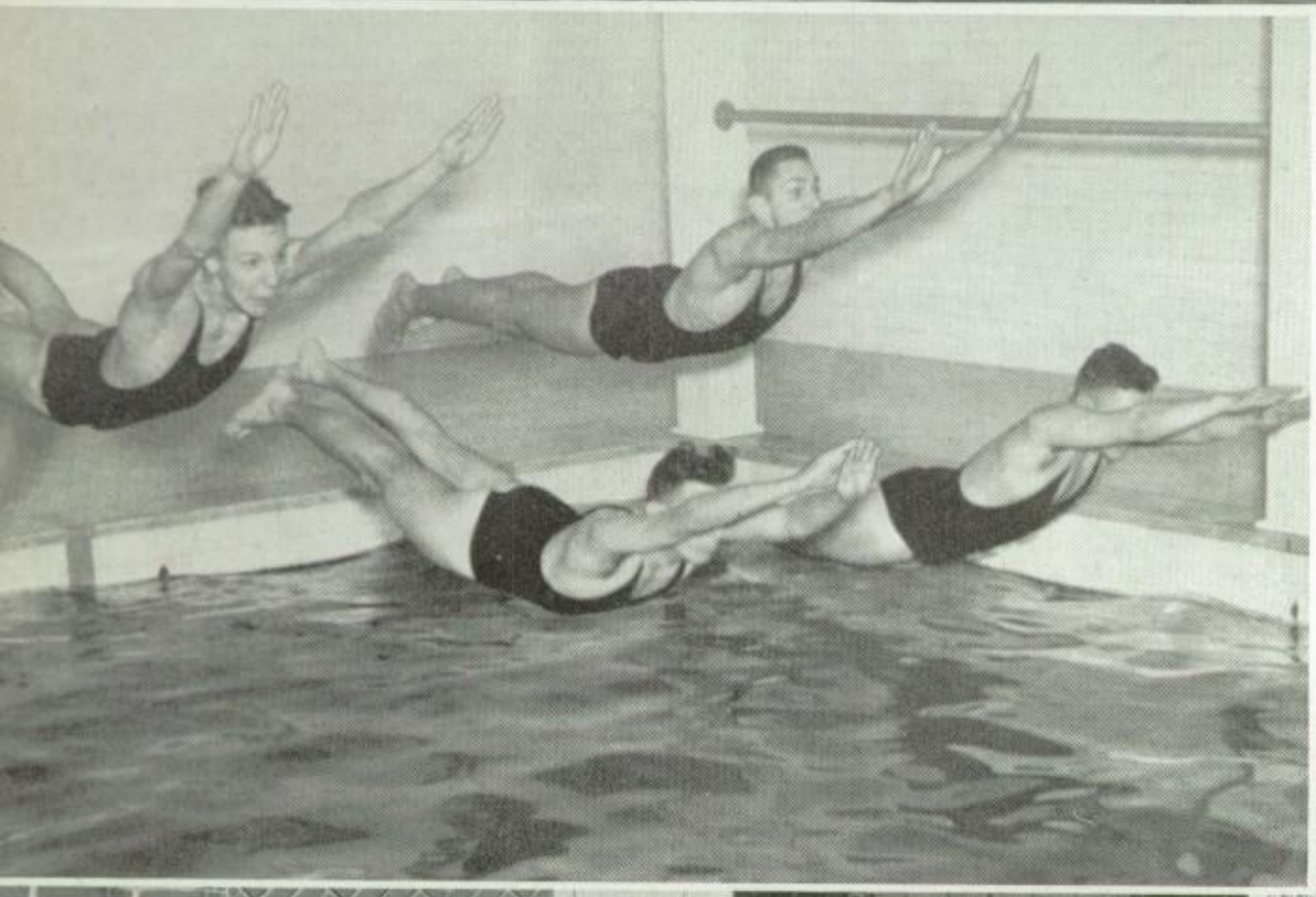


★ The Trojans, Valley Forge's Football Team

★ Valley Forge Cheer Leaders

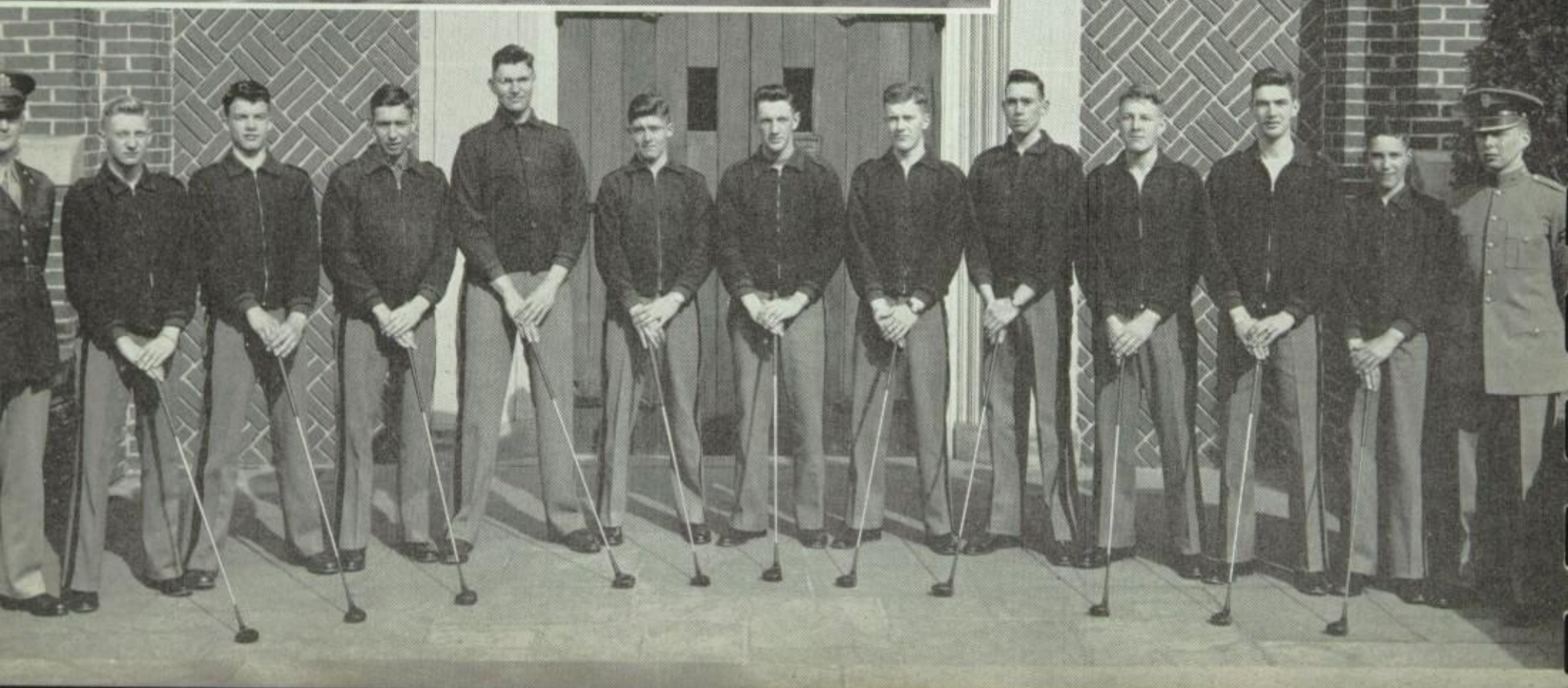
★ Intramural football teams provide opportunity for all cadets to play

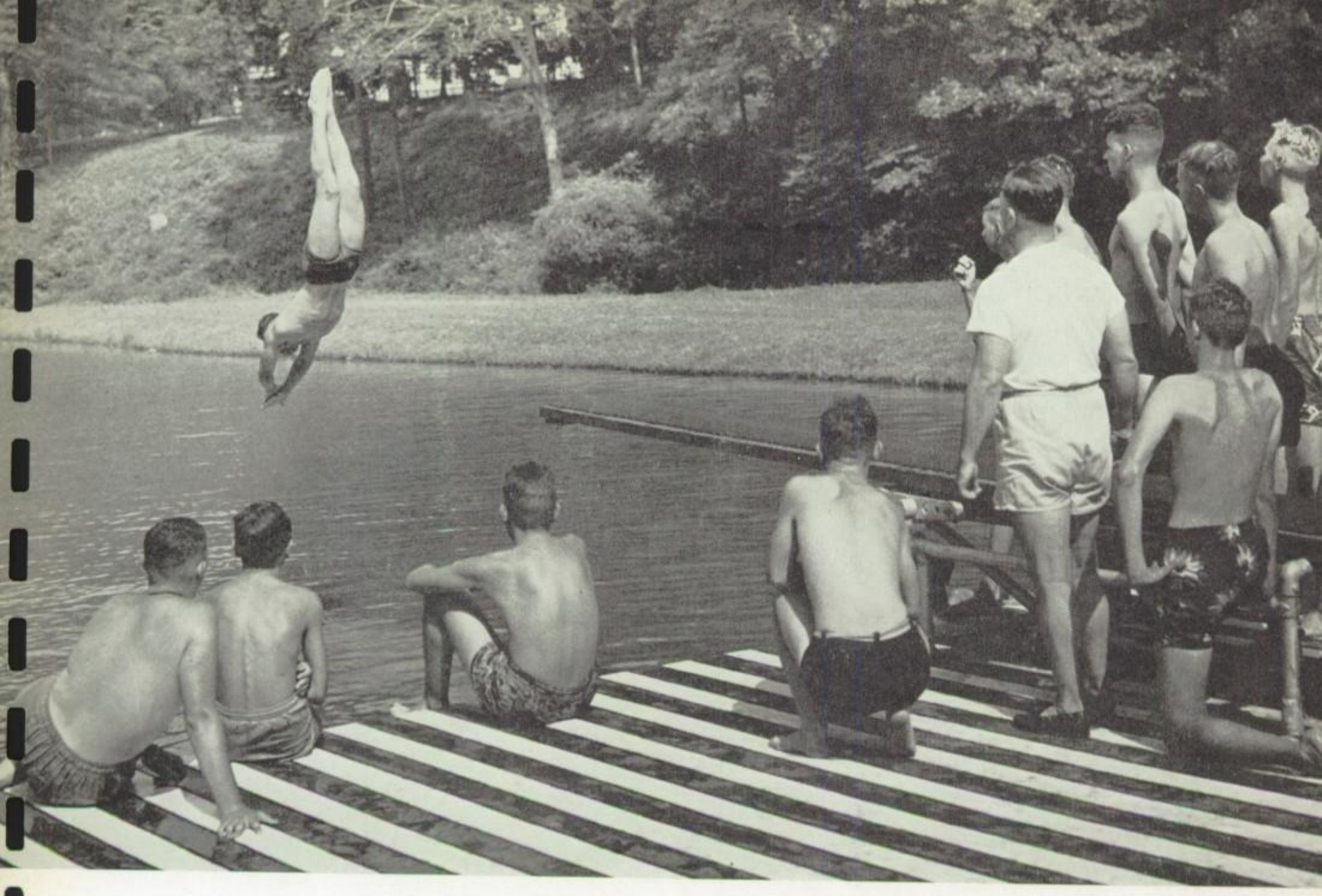
★ Basketball Team



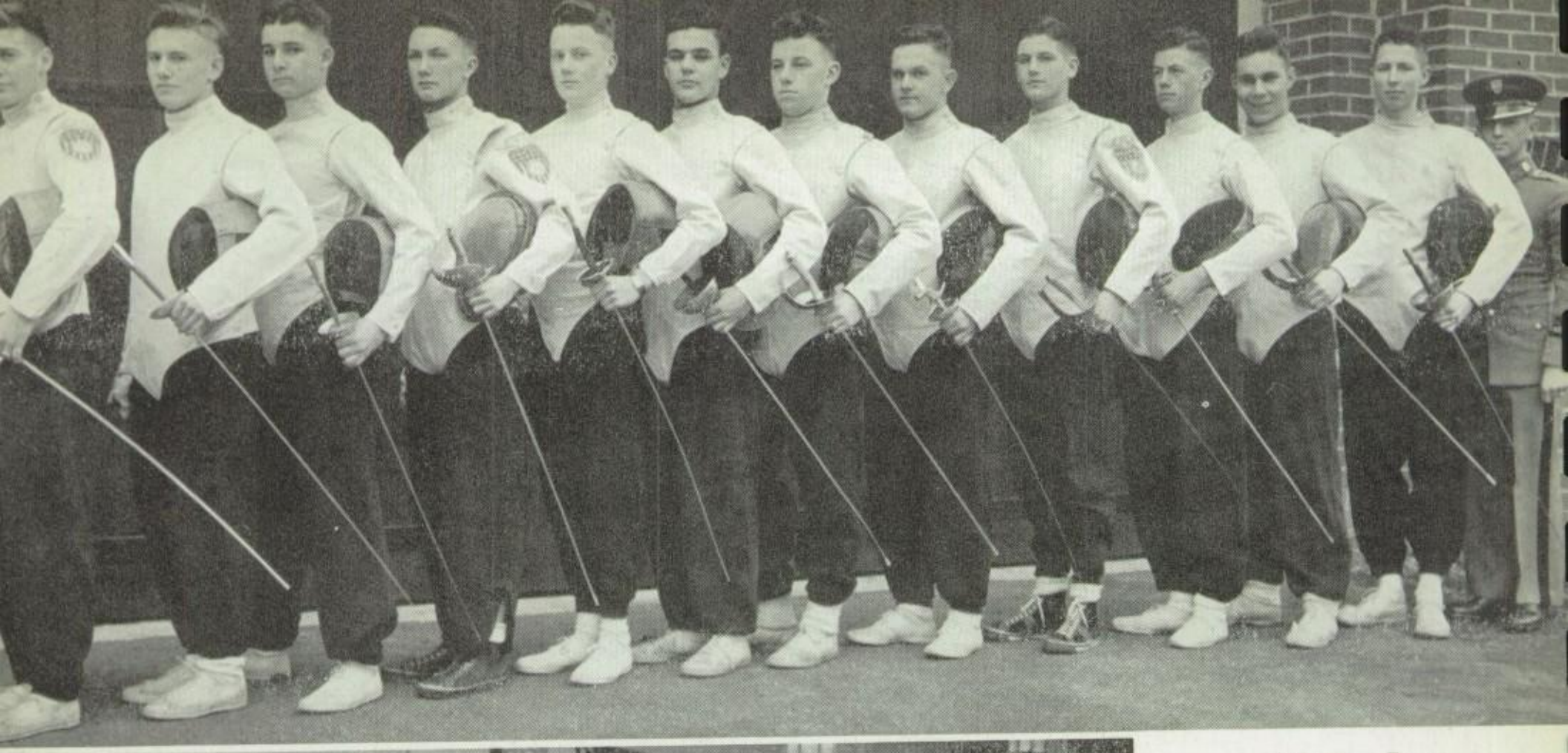
★ A modern all-tile pool provides swimming facilities throughout the year in addition to the outdoor lake

★ Varsity Golf Squad

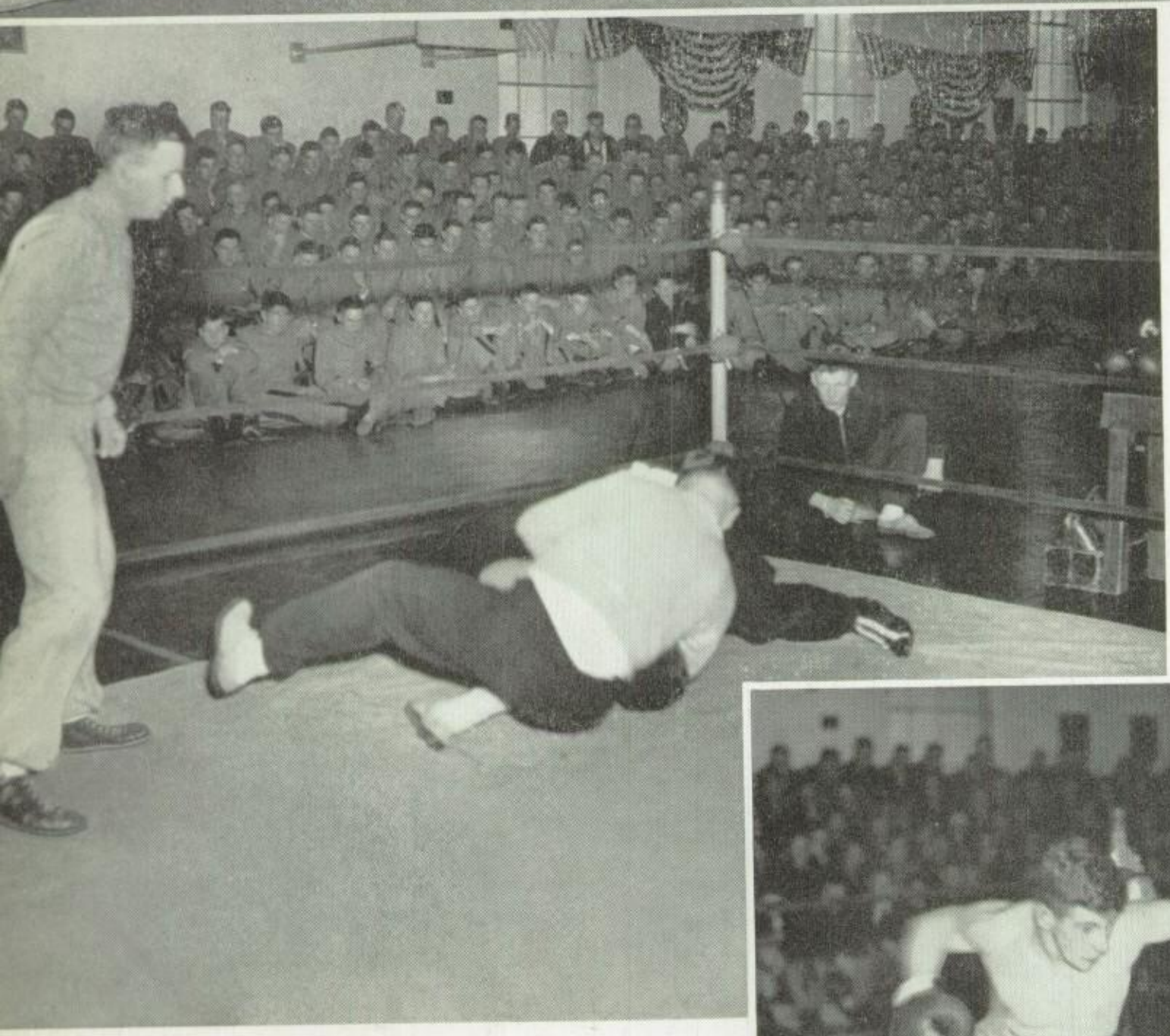




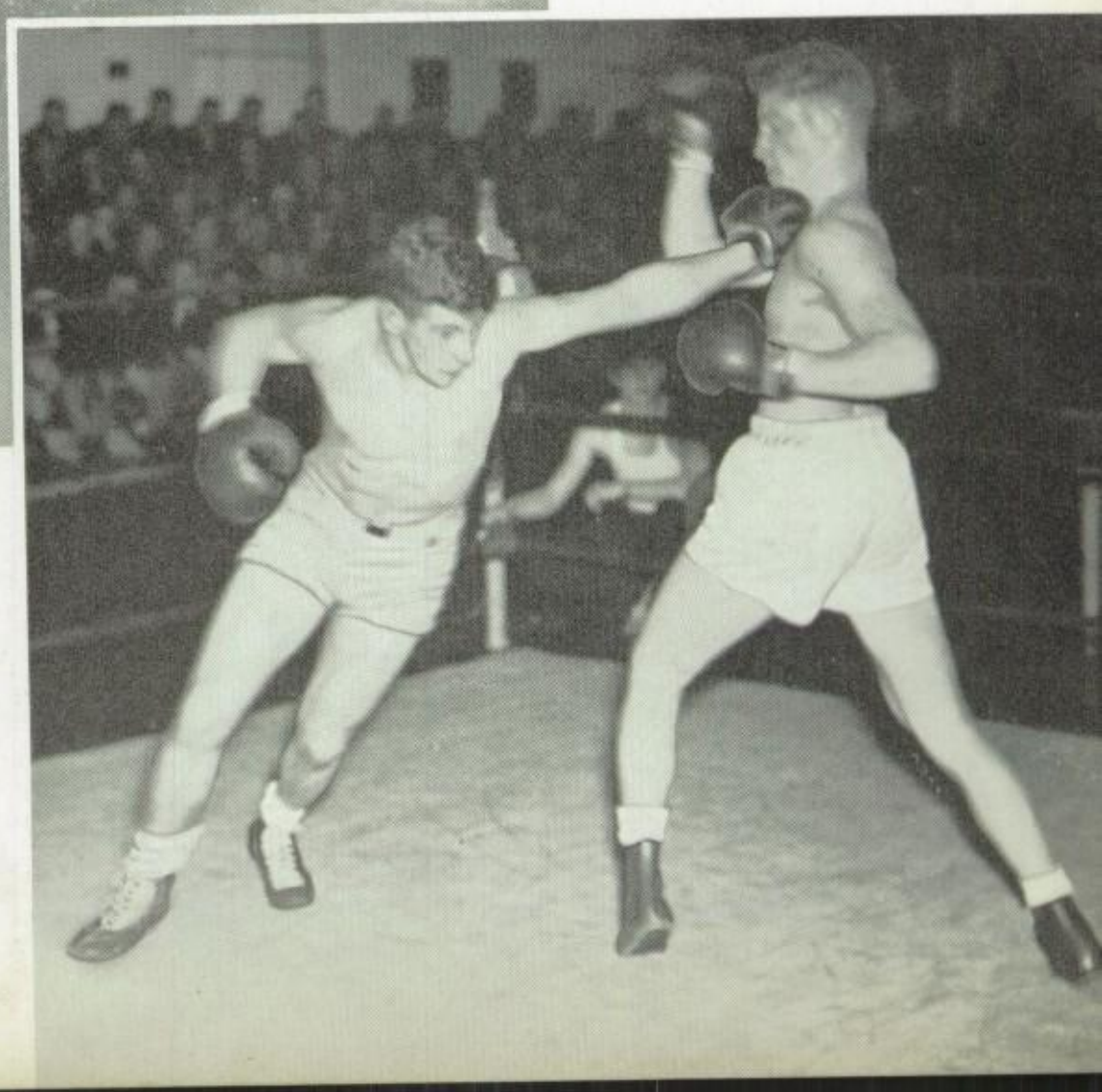
★ The Rifle Team



★ Fencing Team



★ Intramural sports draw large crowds and provide plenty of fast action



★ Baseball Squad

★ Tennis Team

★ Gymnasium periods build sound bodies

★ Infantry companies at calesthenics

★ Remedial Gymnastics in small groups produce best results

★ Over the Hurdles

★ All winter sports are available

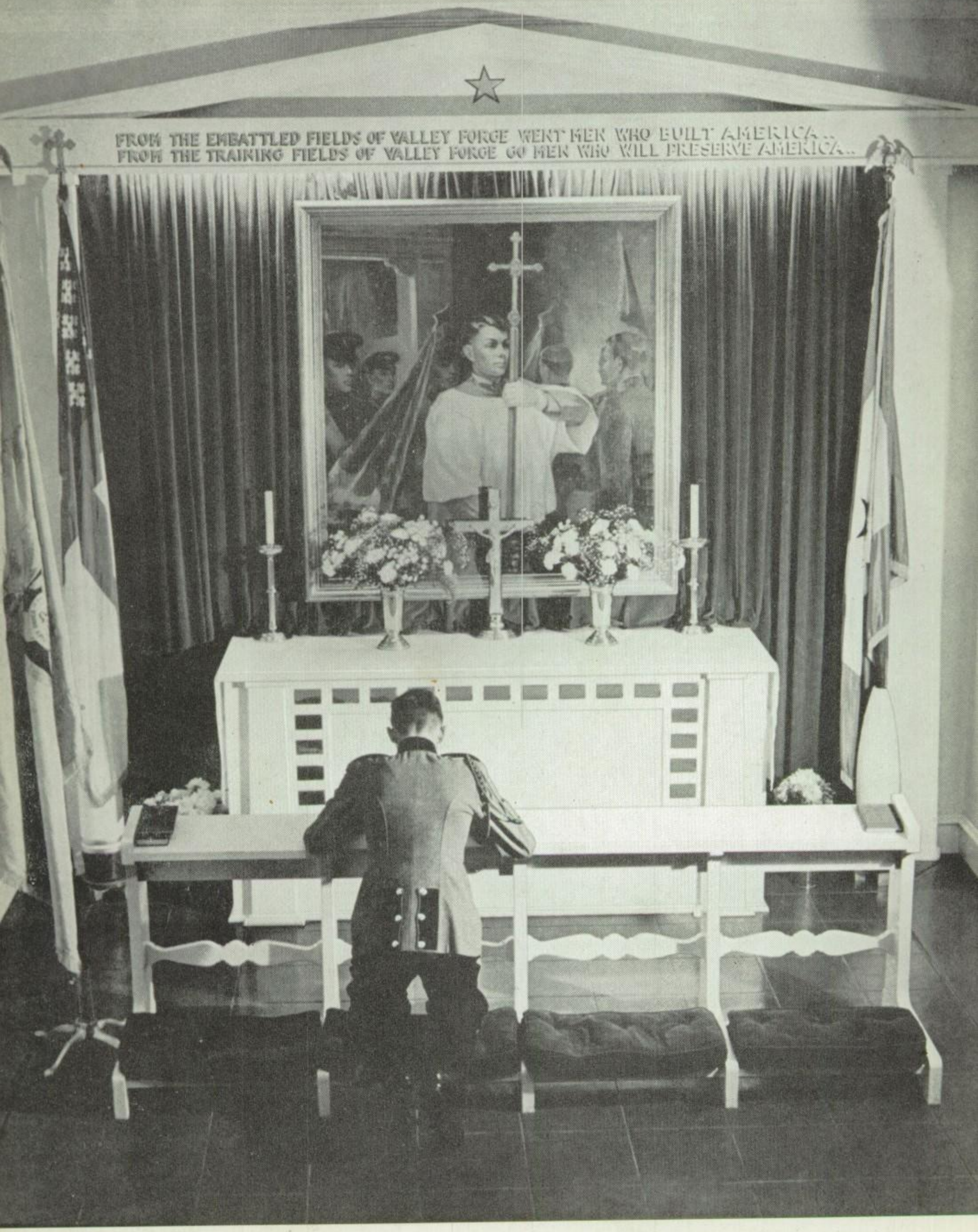
★ The Track and Field Squad

★ To the Victor
belongs the Spoil

★ The Graduates pass through the Ring

★ The Cadet Choir

★ Dances are a regular part of Cadet Life


FROM THE EMBATTLED FIELDS OF VALLEY FORGE WENT MEN WHO BUILT AMERICA...
FROM THE TRAINING FIELDS OF VALLEY FORGE GO MEN WHO WILL PRESERVE AMERICA...

★ The Alumni War Shrine in tribute to the eighty-seven Valley Forge men who paid the highest price to be called American

★ Chapel Service every Sunday morning

★ The Chapel Vestry hold their Monthly Meeting in the Memorial Room

★ The Hobby Shop

★ The Camera Club operate their own fully equipped dark room

★ Automotive engineers in the making

★ Hobbies receive full attention

★ More than Six Hundred Mothers review the Corps on Mother's Day

★ Mother's Day Review

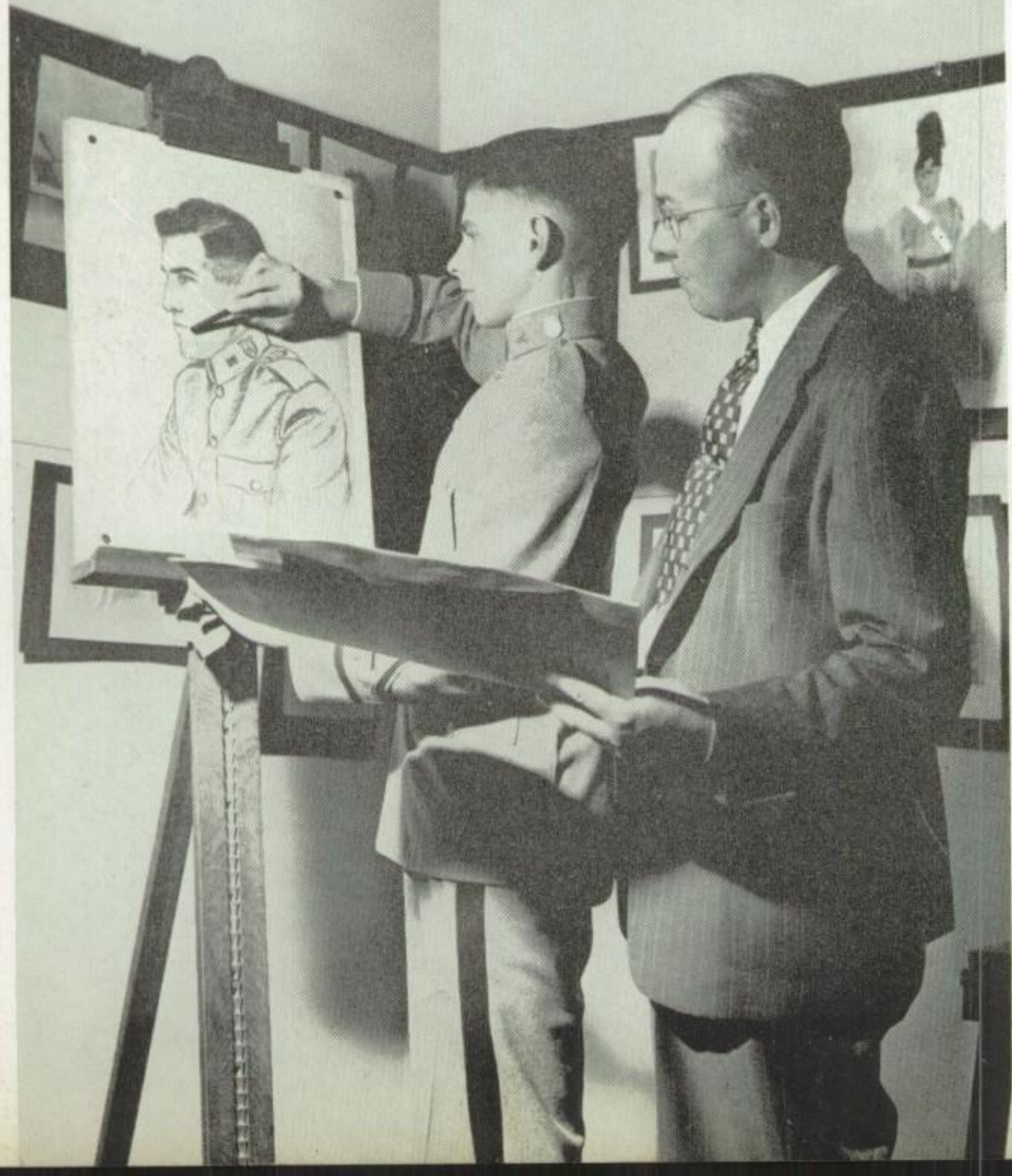
FESTIVAL

★ Cadet Officer's Annual Dinner

★ What's on for today? Orders of the Day always hold much interest

VALLEY FORGE
HOUSE
CADET CLUB

★ A close game in the Cadet Club



★ Art Class

★ A Sound of Hunting

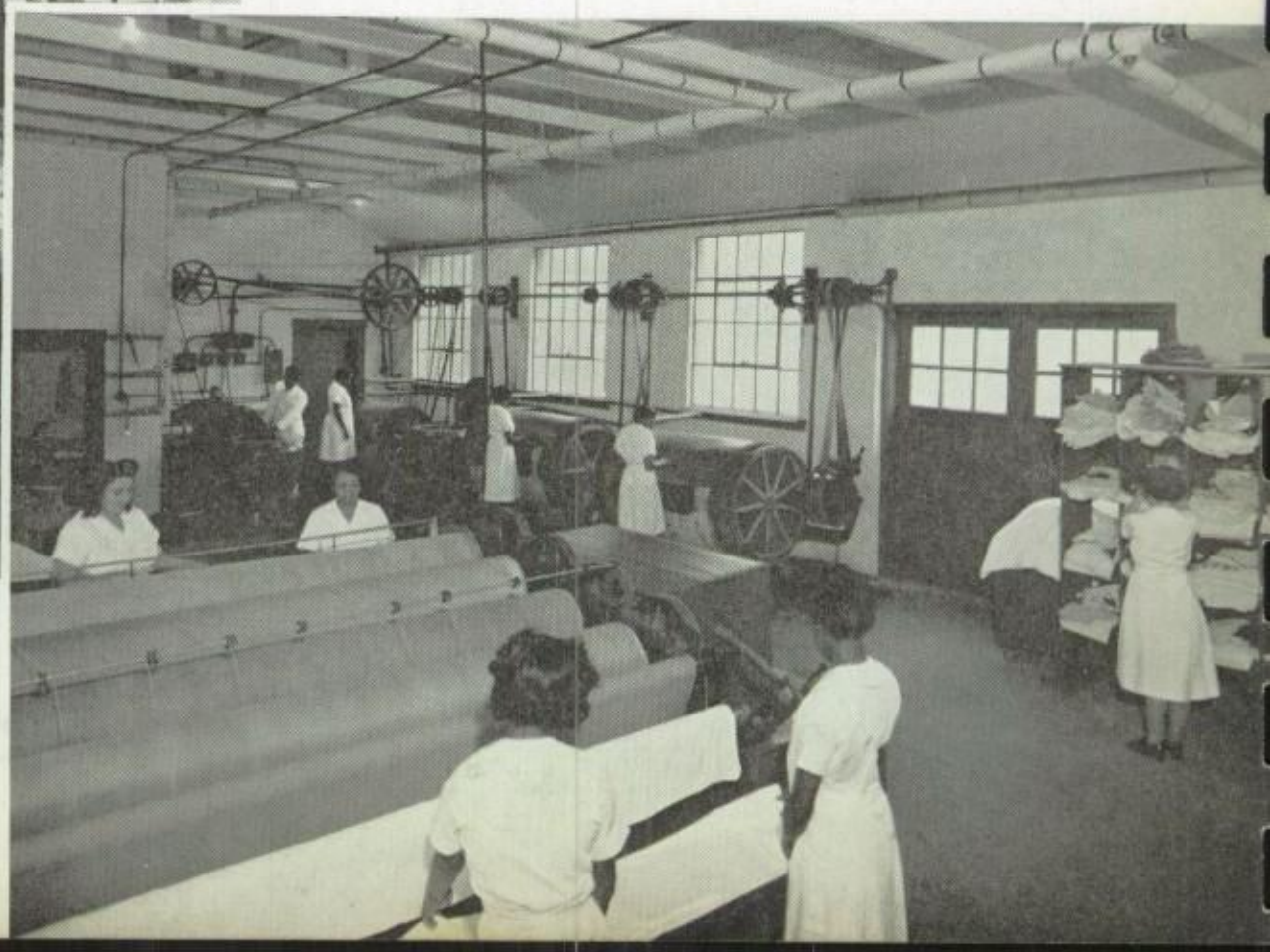
Scenes from Mask and Spur Society plays

★ Stalag 17

★ The Tailor keeps uniforms in fit for growing boys— All alterations are done without additional charge

★ Four thousand garments are pressed here weekly

★ A modern laundry is operated solely for cadets

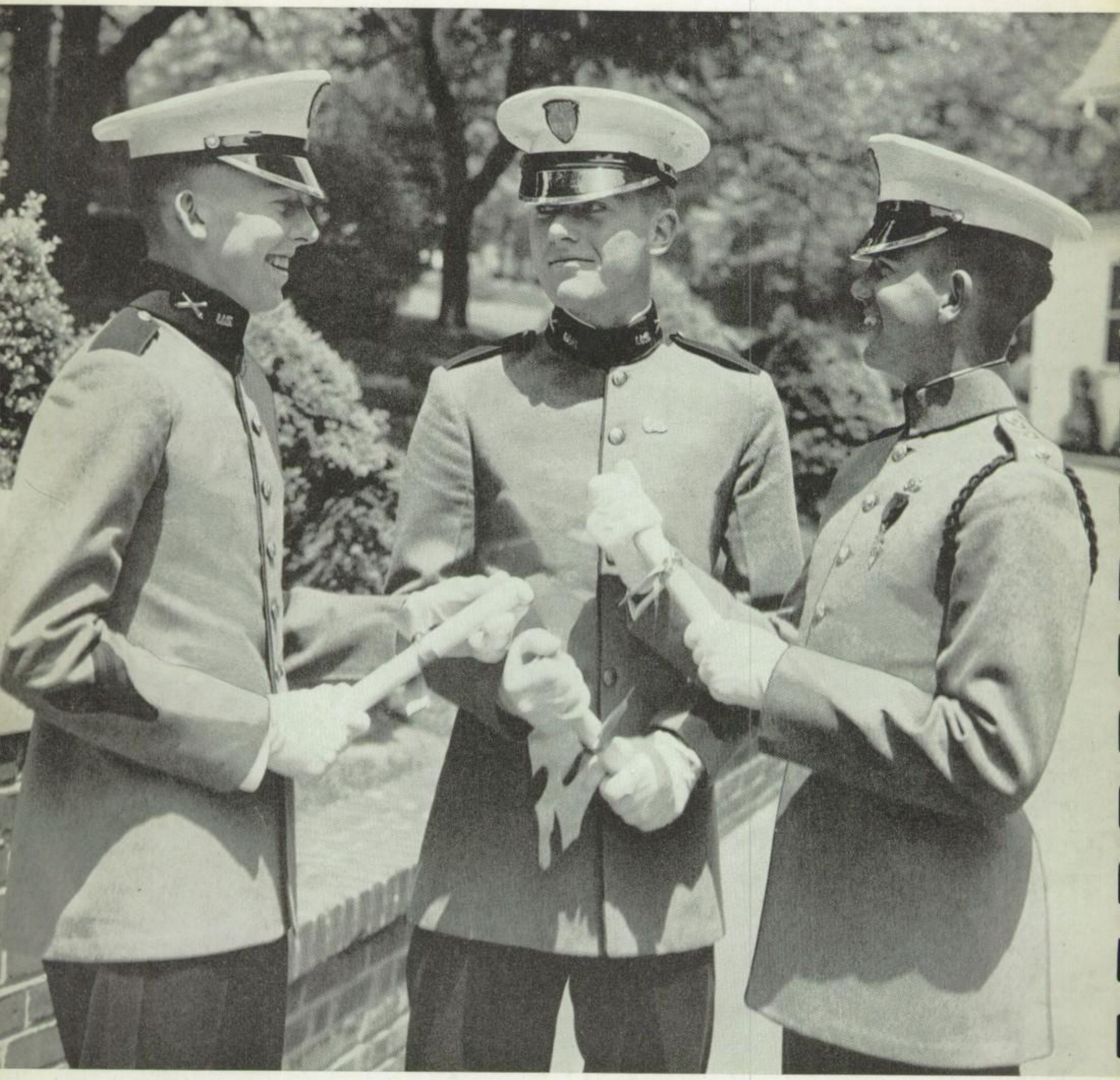


★ The Troop and the Battery on their Annual Bivouac

★ College Presidents visit the Academy for a Convocation

★ The Graduating Class plants their tree on Class Day

★ The Goal Achieved



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